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"Ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all
Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth."—
Acts 1-8.

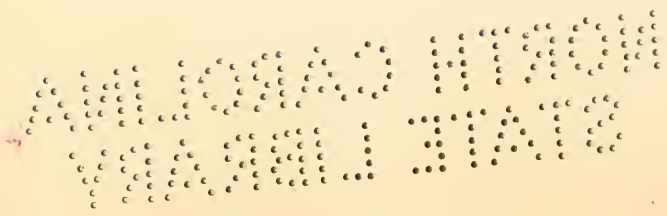
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THE SOCIETY WAS ORGANIZED AT CHARLOTTE, N. C., DE-
CEMBER 1, 1878, BY THE MISSIONARY SECRETARY OF
THE M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH, REV. A.
W. WILSON, D. D.

Annual Meeting.	Amts. Collected.
1879—Wilson, N. C.....	\$ 453 55
1880—Winston, N. C.....	774 00
1881—Durham, N. C.....	884 82
1882—Raleigh, N. C.....	1,500 00
1883—Durham, N. C.....	1,455 28
1884—Wilmington, N. C.....	2,238 55
1885—Raleigh, N. C.....	2,071 90
1886—Goldsboro, N. C.....	2,276 16
1887—Greensboro, N. C.....	3,379 73
1888—New Bern, N. C.....	2,057 04
1889—Charlotte, N. C.....	3,810 89
1890—Henderson, N. C.....	2,983 85
1891—Durham, N. C.....	3,292 47
1892—Goldsboro, N. C.....	2,349 95
1893—New Bern, N. C.....	2,781 44
1894—Raleigh, N. C.....	2,684 78
1895—Fayetteville, N. C.....	3,217 41
1896—Kinston, N. C.....	3,320 53
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1903—Rockingham, N. C.....	4,521 45
1904—Elizabeth City, N. C.....	5,807 08
1905—Louisburg, N. C.....	6,328 10

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS.

Mrs. Lucy A. Cuninggim, Mrs. F. D. Swindell Mrs L. M. Hen-
dren, Mrs. R. A. Willis, Miss Blanche Fentress, Mrs. B. B. Adams,
Mrs. L. M. Adams, Madie Elizabeth Fearn.

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Mrs. Lucy A. Cuninggim, Mrs. F. D. Swindell, Miss Blanche Fen-
tress, Mrs. L. M. Hendren, Mrs. R. A. Willis, Mrs. B. B. Adams.

OFFICERS OF THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY
OF THE NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE, MAY 1905-'06.

Mrs. Lucy A Cuninggim, Greensboro, N. C.....President
Mrs. R. A. Willis, Laurinburg, N. C.....Vice-President
Mrs. F. D. Swindell, Wilson, N. C.....Corresponding Secretary
Miss Blanche Fentress, Wilmington, N. C....Recording Secretary
Miss Mary Page, Aberdeen, N. C.....Treasurer
Mrs. L. M. Hendren, New Bern, N. C....Supt. and Treas. Juv. Work

AUDITORS.

Mr. Henry Page.....Aberdeen, N. C.
Mr. H. M. Groves.....New Bern, N. C.

DISTRICT SECRETARIES.

Raleigh—Mrs. Thomas Person.....Louisburg, N. C.
Durham—Mrs. W. H. McCabe.....Durham, N. C.
Fayetteville—Mrs. M. Jessie SimpsonFayetteville, N. C.
Rockingham—Miss Emma Page.....Aberdeen, N. C.
Wilmington—Mrs. James Gibbons.....Wallace, N. C.
New Bern—Mrs. C. P. Dey.....Beaufort, N. C.
Washington—Mrs. J. L. Horn.....Rocky Mount, N. C.
Warrenton—Mrs. K. P. Black.....Littleton, N. C.
Elizabeth City—Mrs. S. S. Hardison.....Elizabeth City, N. C.

PROCEEDINGS.

THURSDAY, May 4, 1905.

The twenty-seventh annual session of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the North Carolina Conference convened in the Methodist Church, Louisburg, N. C., May 4th, 1905, at 9:30 a. m., Mrs. L. A. Cuninggim, President, in the chair.

The devotional exercises were conducted by the President. Hymn sung, "Come Thou Almighty King." Scripture lesson, Rom. 10th. Prayer by Mrs. B. F. Dixon. Hymn, "My Faith Looks Up to Thee."

The Secretary, Miss Fentress, called the roll of officers and delegates.

OFFICERS PRESENT.

Mrs. L. A. Cuninggim, President.
Mrs. R. A. Willis, Vice-President.
Mrs. F. D. Swindell, Corresponding Secretary.
Miss Blanche Fentress, Recording Secretary.
Mrs. B. B. Adams, Treasurer.

DISTRICT SECRETARIES.

Mrs. R. H. Whitaker—Raleigh District.
Mrs. W. H. McCabe—Durham District.
Mrs. M. J. Simpson—Fayetteville District.
Miss Emma Page—Rockingham District.
Mrs. J. N. Gibbons—Wilmington District.
Mrs. J. Z. Horne—Washington District.
Mrs. Kate P. Black—Warrenton District.
Mrs. S. S. Hardison—Elizabeth City District.

DELEGATES.

RALEIGH DISTRICT.

Mrs. B. F. Dixon—Edenton Street Church.
Mrs. R. O. Burton—Edenton Street Church.
Mrs. Ella Harris—Central Church.
Miss Bettie Butt—Central Church.
Mrs. A. M. Person—Franklinton.
Mrs. B. B. Adams—Four Oaks.
Miss Holly Rogers—Banks.
Miss Mabel Davis—Louisburg.
Miss Daisy Green—Edenton Street Young People's Society.

Bright Jewels.

Miss Myrtle Shamburger—Oxford.
 Miss Bettie Boddie—Louisburg.
 Master Clarence Egerton—Louisburg.
 Miss Annie B. Allen—Franklinton.
 Miss Annie Adams—Four Oaks.

DURHAM DISTRICT.

Mrs. C. L. Mims—Trinity Auxiliary.
 Mrs. T. A. Smoot—Main Street Auxiliary.
 Miss Blanche B. Raney—Chapel Hill Auxiliary.

Bright Jewels.

Miss Meline Harrell—Trinity Church.
 Miss Inez Angier, Lady Manager—Main Street.
 Miss Lottie Mangum—Main Street.
 Miss Lillie Browning—Main Street.
 Miss Blanche B. Raney—Chapel Hill.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.

Mrs. M. J. Simpson—Fayetteville Auxiliary.
 Mrs. R. H. Broom—Carthage Auxiliary.
 Miss Judith Ross—Sanford Auxiliary.

ROCKINGHAM DISTRICT.

Mrs. S. B. Creel—Aberdeen Auxiliary.
 Miss Mary Page—Aberdeen Auxiliary.
 Mrs. J. W. Masenmore—Biscoe Auxiliary.
 Miss Ida Batten—Wadeville Auxiliary.

Bright Jewels.

Miss Ethel Gately—Maxton.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

Miss Keith Covington—Grace Church Auxiliary.

NEW BERN DISTRICT.

Mrs. S. H. Scott—Centenary Auxiliary.
 Mrs. A. R. Morgan—St. Paul Auxiliary.
 Mrs. J. E. Syllivant—Hookerton.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.

Mrs. B. C. Miller—Rocky Mount Auxiliary.
 Mrs. J. A. Hornady—Greenville Auxiliary.
 Mrs. J. H. Best—Beaman's Auxiliary.

Bright Jewels.

Miss Clefa Wynne—Rocky Mount.

WARRENTON DISTRICT.

Miss Laura Powers—Weldon Auxiliary.
 Mrs. G. F. Smith—Littleton Auxiliary.
 Miss Nettie Johnson—Kate Black Society.

Bright Jewels.

Miss Mary McCullen—Littleton College.
 Master Frank Smith—Littleton.

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT.

Mrs. J. N. Winslow—Elizabeth City Auxiliary.
 Mrs. J. P. Winslow—Anderson Auxiliary.
 Mrs. C. C. Savage—Parker's Auxiliary.
 Mrs. N. H. D. Wilson—Hertford Auxiliary.
 Mrs. Augusta Harrell—Philadelphia Auxiliary.
 Miss Mary Burrus—Bethany Auxiliary.

Bright Jewels.

Mrs. J. G. Fearing, Lady Manager—Elizabeth City.
 Miss Annie Woodly—Elizabeth City.
 Mrs. J. P. Winslow—Anderson.

The President announced Misses Helen and Lucy Smithwick as Pages.

On motion, Mrs. T. A. Smoot was elected Assistant Secretary.

Rev. G. F. Smith, Presiding Elder of the Warrenton District was introduced to the Conference.

Mrs. R. O. Burton, of Raleigh, Superintendent of Literature and Press Work of the Woman's Home Mission Society of the N. C. Conference, was introduced to the Conference. She brought warm and loving messages to the Conference from the Home Mission Society.

On motion the hours for the sessions were appointed as follows:

Meet 9:30 A. M., adjourn 12:30 P. M.
 Committees meet at 3 P. M. adjourn at 4 P. M.
 Conference meets at 4 P. M., adjourn at will.

The President addressed the Conference, presenting her greetings to her co-workers, and recounted the many blessings that had come to the members since their last annual meeting, and expressed her deep gratitude that all the officers of the Society had been spared, though some had been brought near to the "valley and shadow of death." She much regretted to miss the familiar face of "Aunt Lizzie,"

who could not be present. She reported that our Missionary Candidate at the Scarritt Bible and Training School was making a fine record. She made an earnest plea that the names of thirty women be secured who would give \$25 each to put a new Missionary in the field. Several responded promptly to the proposition.

The Rules of Order and Order of Business were read as follows :

RULES OF ORDER.

1. Each session shall open and close with devotional exercises.
2. All resolutions shall be presented in writing.
3. Ladies shall rise when they address the Chair.
4. No member shall leave the room without permission of the Chair.

ORDER OF BUSINESS—FIRST BUSINESS SESSION.

1. Rollcall and enrolling delegates.
2. Fixing time for opening and closing.
3. Fixing bar.
4. Announcement of committees.
5. Miscellaneous business.

ORDER OF BUSINESS—REGULAR BUSINESS SESSION.

1. Roll-call.
2. Reading minutes.
3. Reports from districts.
4. Reports from Standing Committees.
5. Reports from Special Committees.
6. Miscellaneous business.

Mrs. B. B. Adams read a very interesting paper on "The Pay in Christian Living and Christian Giving."

Mrs. Swindell spoke in commendation of this excellent paper, and said that in view of its helpful bearing on the financial interest of our work, she moved that we request its publication in the *Raleigh Christian Advocate*. The motion was unanimously adopted.

Reports of Districts were called for. Mrs. W. H. McCabe, District Secretary of the Durham District, read her report. Nearly one hundred dollars beyond the collections of last year had been raised, and the membership had been increased. It was a very good report.

Mrs. C. L. Mims made a good report from Trinity Auxiliary.

Mrs. T. H. Smoot reported for Main Street Auxiliary. There has been an increase of members and it is a wide-awake Society.

Chapel Hill, reported by Miss Blanche R. Raney. A good report.

The District Secretary and Mrs. B. B. Adams read the reports of the other Auxiliaries of the district. These reports showed an increase in membership and in general interest.

On motion of Mrs. N. H. D. Wilson, the Conference Society instructed the Secretary to convey a message of love to "Aunt Lizzie."

Miss Emma Page, District Secretary of the Rockingham District, made a very fine report. The district had raised \$912.69 during the year.

Aberdeen—Mrs. L. B. Creel, made a fine report.

Biscoe—Mrs. J. N. Massemore reported this as a wide-awake Society and the Banner Auxiliary of the district, having contributed an average of \$7.94 per member.

Wadesville—Miss Ida Batten reports this a small Society, but doing good work.

The District Secretary reported for the unrepresented Auxiliaries. The reports from the district show an improvement along all lines.

The President announced the following Committees:

Extension of Work.

Mrs. F. D. Swindell and Miss Emma Page. Mesdames McCabe, Gibbons, Hardison, Whitaker, Horne, Scott, Simpson, Black.

Finance.

Mrs. B. B. Adams. Mesdames Mann, Tomlinson, J. N. Winslow, Best, Criel, Ruth, Morgan, Broom, Savage.

Publication.

Mrs. B. B. Adams. Mesdames Mims, Person, Hornady, and Misses Burruss and Rogers.

Juvenile Work.

Mrs. N. H. D. Wilson. Mesdames Willis, J. P. Winslow, Fearing. Misses Green, Johnson, Harrold, and Davis.

District Secretaries' Books.

Mrs. B. N. Mann and Miss Laura Powers.

Memoirs.

Mrs. R. O. Burton. Mesdames Smoot, Hardy, Massemore, Miss Judith Ross.

Platform Courtesies.

Mrs. R. H. Whitaker. Mesdames Wilder and Pleasants.

Resolutions.

Mrs. R. A. Willis and Miss Keith Covington. Mesdames Christian, Sylivant, Miller and Miss Ballard.

The closing devotional exercises were conducted by Miss Emma Page, choosing the words found in Acts 1-8, "But ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you." She made an earnest, heart-felt and impressive talk.

Mrs. R. A. Willis led in prayer, and the meeting closed with the Doxology.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

May 4, 1905.

The Society met at 4 p. m. and was opened with devotional exercises conducted by Mrs. R. A. Willis. "I am thine, O Lord" was sung. Phillipians, 2nd chapter, was read. Mrs. M. Jessie Simpson led in prayer. The roll was called.

The minutes of the morning-session were read, corrected, and approved.

Mrs. B. N. Mann read a very fine paper on "The Progress of Missions."

Miss Fentress moved that the thanks of the Society be extended to Mrs. Mann for the paper, by a rising vote. The motion was unanimously adopted.

The call of Districts was resumed.

The Fayetteville District was called and the report was made by Mrs. M. Jessie Simpson, District Secretary. No District meeting had been held, but one new Society had been organized. Hay Street was read by Mrs. Simpson.

Sanford Church Report was read by Miss Ross. Growing steadily, all members interested.

Carthage Report was read by Mrs. Brown.

No other delegates being present, the reports were read by the District Secretary.

Mrs. Swindell asked each District Secretary if her Societies had reported more promptly this year than formerly. Some were doing better and others were still irregular. She then urged the Lady Managers to send in their reports to the District Secretaries as well as to Aunt Lizzie; also that they carry this request to other Lady Managers not present.

Mr. Baker, Superintendent of the Methodist Sunday School of Louisburg, was introduced to the Conference.

The Raleigh District was then called for. Mrs. R. H.

Whitaker, District Secretary, reported general interest and a successful District meeting held.

Edenton Street was represented by Mrs. R. O. Burton. In an interesting and inspiring paper she reviewed the splendid work done by their auxiliary.

Central Church reported by Miss Bettie Ruth.

Edenton Street Young Woman's Society was reported by Miss Daisy Green. A fine year's work has been done and much interest is manifested.

Central Church Young Woman's Society was reported by Miss Ella Harris.

Louisburg was reported by Miss Mabel Davis.

Banks was reported by Miss Holly Rogers.

Elizabeth, Clayton Circuit, by Mrs. J. H. B. Tomlinson.

Four Oaks was reported by Mrs. B. B. Adams, showing good work done with the promise to do more in the future.

The District Secretary read the reports of auxiliaries not represented.

Miss Fentress was appointed to solicit subscribers for the *Woman's Missionary Advocate*.

Mrs Swindell offered the following resolution which was unanimously adopted :

Whereas, the editor of our department in the Raleigh Christian Advocate has so well and ably met the responsibility placed upon her,

Resolved 1, That we express our appreciation of her faithful service by a rising vote of thanks.

Resolved 2. That we recommend that Mrs. B. F. Dixon be re-appointed editor of the department for the present year.

MRS. SUE D. SWINDELL,
MRS. B. B. ADAMS.

Mrs. B. F. Dixon urged that the Societies send letters to her, telling of their work, for publication, as said letters would be helpful to others.

Announcements were made, the doxology sung, and the Society adjourned.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

May 4, 1905.

Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. L. S. Massey.

Hymn, "Jesus shall Reign." Scripture lesson from Acts 3rd. Prayer by the pastor.

Duett—"Come Unto Me and Rest," by Miss May Jones and Miss Sue Genia Wells, was charmingly rendered and greatly enjoyed.

The Address of Welcome, by Mrs. E. F. Malone, of Louisburg, N. C., was delivered in her own ornate style, and conveyed to the delegates a conviction of earnestness and genuineness in the words so beautifully spoken.

Mrs. J. L. Horne, Secretary of the Washington District, responded with grace and dignity, giving touching memories of school days at the Louisburg College, in this noted old town.

Mrs. L. M. Hendren, Superintendent and Treasurer of Juvenile Work, being detained at home, her annual report was read by Mrs. N. H. D. Wilson, showing steady improvement and more intelligent interest among the Bright Jewels of this Conference Society.

Mrs. F. D. Swindell, Corresponding Secretary, read her report. (See appendix.) It was an encouraging statement of the work of the past year. It has been the most successful year in the history of the Conference Society, and indicates the growing interest in the cause of missions. She urged that the year before us be one of greater activity and progress than the one just closed.

Mrs. B. B. Adams, our faithful Conference Treasurer, gave the financial report of the years' work. The largest total of the twenty-seven years, *viz*: \$6,328.10 The largest amount paid by one Auxiliary, *viz*: Centenary, New Bern, N. C., \$279.50. Raleigh District the Banner District, having collected \$951.92. The next was Rockingham District, \$912.69.

With thankful hearts, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow," was sung and the Benediction was pronounced by Rev. L. S. Massey.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

FRIDAY, May 5, 1905.

The devotional services, led by Mrs. F. D. Swindell, opened with singing, "O some times the shadows are deep," followed by reading that beautiful Psalm, "The Lord is my Shepherd." After a very touching talk "Praise God from whom all blessings flow," was sung, followed by the Confer-

ence singing, on their knees, "Lord Jesus look down from thy throne in the skies," closing with a short prayer by Mrs. L. A. Cuninggim.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with. The minutes of the afternoon and evening sessions were read and approved.

The reports of the Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary were unanimously adopted.

Masters Charlie Cook and Lawrence Egerton, pages, were introduced to the Conference.

A paper, "The Great Religious Awakening and its Relation to Missions," by Mrs. J. F. Bivens, of Durham, was read.

On motion, a rising vote of thanks was given for this excellent paper.

The Raleigh District was called again.

Franklinton—Mrs. A. M. Person. A good report. Society growing in interest.

Golden Links—Franklinton—Miss Ballard. Supporting a scholarship in Brazil.

Wilmington District—Mrs. James Gibbons. One new Golden Links and one Bright Jewel Band organized. A good District meeting held.

Grace Auxiliary—Miss Keith Covington. Good report; increase in members.

Questions were asked about the Conference expense fund, and the importance of this fund was explained by the officers.

The District Secretary reported for the absent Auxiliaries.

New Berne District. In the absence of the Secretary, Mrs. Dey, the report was read by Mrs. S. H. Scott.

St. Paul—Goldsboro. A good report was made by Mrs. R. A. Morgan. The Golden Links of Goldsboro were represented by Mrs. Morgan.

Centenary—An interesting report was made by Mrs. Scott, showing the largest number of members in any Auxiliary in the Conference.

Hookerton—Mrs. Ida Sylviant. Small but interested.

No other delegates being present Mrs. Scott reported for the absent Auxiliaries.

Washington District—Mrs. J. L. Horne gave a clear and business-like statement of the work on her District. Rocky Mount paid largest amount and Washington paid all assessments in full.

The District Secretary then read reports from the Auxiliaries not represented.

Greenville—Mrs. J. A. Hornaday. Good report. Four life members.

Rocky Mount—Mrs. B. C. Miller. Financial report a little behind, but hopes to do better in the future.

Beaman's—Mrs. J. H. Best. A decrease in financial report, caused by a loss of members, but a good work done by the faithful few.

The Secretary again announced the different Committees and the announcements were made for the afternoon and night.

The banner for the largest amount of money contributed, was awarded Rocky Mount Bright Jewel Band; and for the greatest increase in members, Elizabeth City.

The noon hour having arrived the devotional service was conducted by Miss Page, who, in a very clear manner illustrated the difference in the saying of prayer and true praying, emphasizing the power of silent prayer. To be a strong Missionary Conference we must be strong individually, to be strong individually we must commune with our Heavenly Father and receive that power which comes alone from Him.

Adjourned with prayer by Mrs Dixon, and the benediction by Rev. L. S. Massey.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

May 5, 1905.

The session opened with devotional services, led by Mrs. B. F. Dixon. John, 17th chapter, was read, followed by singing "Sweet Hour of Prayer," closing with prayer.

The President took the chair. Dr. Hardie, Missionary from Korea, was introduced to the Conference.

The minutes were read and approved.

The call of Districts was again taken up.

Elizabeth City District—Mrs. S. S. Hardison. Good work done by all the Auxiliaries.

Anderson—Mrs. J. P. Winslow. Meets regularly and are much interested.

Parker's—Mrs C. C. Savage. General improvement; one life member during the year.

Hertford—Mrs. N. H. D. Wilson. Fine attendance at every meeting. Pledge up in full.

Elizabeth City—Mrs. J. N. Winslow. Spiritual condition good. Supports one Scholarship.

Philadelphia—Miss Augusta Harrell. Nearly all ladies in the church members of the Auxiliary.

Bethany—Miss Mary Burruss. Good report.

No other delegates being present, the District Secretary reported for her other Auxiliaries.

Warrenton District was then reported by the Secretary, Mrs. K. P. Black. Grand Total \$761.31. Mrs. Black stated that an increase of interest on her district is due to the large number of *Woman's Missionary Advocates* taken.

Mrs. G. F. Smith, delegate, read the report of Littleton Auxiliary. Their meetings are interesting, and they study the different fields.

The Kate Black Society, of Littleton, was represented by Miss Nettie Johnston. The report was interesting and well read.

Littleton W. C. Association, Mary McCullen delegate, reported \$60.50 dues remitted to Conference Treasurer. They have one scholarship, "Lula Hester Rhodes," located at Mary Keener Institute, Mexico City; \$40.00 to support this scholarship remitted May 1st of each year.

Miss Laura Powers reported for the Weldon Auxiliary, \$71.00.

Henderson by Mrs. W. S. Parker. Total \$74.70. The reading course as prescribed has been pursued and found beneficial. Mrs. Parker gave incidents recorded in "Studies of India and Japan." In speaking of Japan a reference was made to Dr. Murphy as a Missionary worker. Mrs. A. R. Morgan of St. Paul Auxiliary, who had spent eight years in Japan with her husband, a Missionary of the M. P. Church, testified to the correctness of the statements in the book, made by Dr. Murphy. Dr. Murphy had been in her home, and she had assisted him in the work accomplished.

Mrs. Black, the Secretary, reported for the Auxiliaries on her District.

Mrs. B. F. Dixon then read a carefully prepared paper on the "Life and Letters of Miss Laura Askew Haygood.

Miss Fentress moved, that for this interesting and instructive paper, drawn from the "Life and Letters of Miss

Laura Askew Haygood," this Society give Mrs. Dixon a rising vote of thanks. Unanimously carried.

Mrs. Cuningham announced again the entertainment to be held at the College.

Benediction by Dr. R. A. Hardie.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

SATURDAY, May 6, 1905.

This was Bright Jewel Day. The session opened at 9:30 a. m., with Mrs. L. A. Cuningham in the chair. "Children's Consecration Hymn", the first on a special program, was sung, followed by a Responsive Reading, and prayer led by Rev. R. A. Hardie. After reading the Missionary Creed in concert, all joined in singing the Mission Band Hymn to the air of "Greenland's Icy Mountains."

The address of welcome to the children and members of the Society was made by Miss Mary McKethan of Louisburg, after which Children's Hymn of Praise was sung. The response being made by Miss Annie Woodley of Elizabeth City.

A letter from Aunt Lizzie "to her Jewels" was read by Mrs. N. H. D. Wilson.

"To Shine for Thee" was sung.

The reports were called for. Several Bands reported through their District Secretaries and members of adult auxiliaries. Reporting by delegates were:

Franklinton—Miss Anna B. Allen. Regular attendance; good Society.

Four Oaks—Miss Annie Adams. Small, but doing good work.

Louisburg—Miss Bettie Boddie. Good work being done.

Oxford—Miss Myrtle Shamberger. Growing in interest.

Littleton—Master Frank Smith. Very good report.

Maxton—Miss Ethel Gately. Good work being done.

Aberdeen—Miss Elizabeth Page. Society young, but growing

Rocky Mount—Miss Clefa Wynne. Fine Society; banner for the largest amount of money raised.

Elizabeth City—Miss Annie Woodley. Organized only one year. Fine work done. Banner for largest increase in membership.

Trinity, Durham—Miss Meline Harrell made a fine report.

Main Street—Miss Lallie Browning. Fine work done; growing in interest.

Chapel Hill—Miss Blanche Raney made a good report.

The Raleigh District having raised the largest amount of money, is the Banner District, and the Rocky Mount Band making the largest financial report, is the Banner Band.

The handsome Chinese silk banner was presented to Miss Clefa Wynne for the Bright Jewel Band of Rocky Mount by Mrs. Swindell, who gave the history of the Mary Black Memorial Hospital at Söochow, China, saying that this banner was a gift from little Madie Elizabeth Fearn, June 1900, whose mother was the first missionary in charge of this hospital and within whose walls little Elizabeth was born. Miss Wynn accepted the banner in a few chosen words. Then in response to the request of Mrs. Swindell, all the Bright Jewels arose and together repeated the Lord's prayer from the Banner which had been embroidered by a Chinese girl.

The Brazilian banner, which is given to that Band that has the largest increase in membership, was presented to Miss Annie Woodley for the Elizabeth City Band by Mrs. J. L. Horn of Rocky Mount, who, in a few remarks explained its motto, and told by whom and why it was given to the Bright Jewels.

The Bright Jewel delegates and Juvenile visitors were invited by the Louisburg Band to join them on a drive at four o'clock.

The meeting then adjourned by singing "Around the throne of God in heaven."

Benediction was pronounced by Rev. G. T. Simmons.

At 11 45 the Woman's work was again taken up. Rev. G. T. Simmons of the Youngsville circuit was introduced to the Conference.

The minutes of previous sessions were read, corrected and approved.

Mrs. J. G. Fearing read the report from the Committee on Juvenile Work. Adopted.

The Committee's Report on Publication was read by Mrs. B. F. Dixon. Adopted.

Report of Committee on Extension of Work was presented by the chairman Mrs. F. D. Swindell. Adopted.

The report of the Committee on Finance was read by its chairman, Mrs. B. B. Adams. Adopted.

The following resolution, read by Mrs. F. D. Swindell, was adopted.

Whereas, The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the N. C. Conference has increased its pledge to \$3,000, an amount sufficient to pay the salaries of four missionaries on the foreign field.

Resolved, That this amount shall go to the support of our two Missionaries in Brazil, Miss Mary Pescud and Miss Elizabeth Davis; also to the support of the medical missionary of the Mary Black Hospital in China, and to the support of one of the missionaries in the Lucy Cuninggim School in Wonsan, Korea.

MRS. SUE D. SWINDELL,
MRS. B. B. ADAMS

The following resolution was read and adopted :

Whereas, The Mary Black hospital in Soo Chow, China has been closed this year for the want of a medical missionary

Resolved, That the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions in annual session, Muskogee, I. T., be memorialized to employ Dr. Annie Fearn to take charge of the hospital until a regular missionary is obtainable, with the proviso that Dr. Fearn will accept the work, and that the Bright Jewels of the N. C. Conference will meet her expenses.

MRS. SUE D. SWINDELL,
MRS. LEILA Y. SMOOT.

We hailed with joy the noon hour when we could listen again to Miss Page.

Her selection was from the 16th Psalm. She called it The Psalm of the Golden Secret. The sixth and eleventh verses were brought out in great beauty. May this precious Psalm be to us what it means to Miss Page.

The closing prayer was by Mrs. R. O. Burton.

The benediction was pronounced by Rev. G. S. Simmons.

THIRD DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

May 6, 1905.

The devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. A. K. Hardy. The secret of the Lord is with them that fear Him, was her thoughts. Hymn, "Children of the Heavenly King" was sung, closing with prayer.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Mrs. Mann read a very interesting letter from our mis-

sionary candidate, Miss Elizabeth Lamb of the Scarritt Bible and Training School, telling of the work done in that institution.

The report of the committee on Secretaries Books was presented by Mrs. Mann. Adopted. (See appendix.)

By permission the Corresponding Secretary and the District Secretaries withdrew to prorate the assessments.

While waiting for the return of the District Secretaries hymn "Sweetly Lord, have we heard Thee calling", was sung.

Dr. Hardie came forward and in a short talk told something of our missions in Korea. The work has only been opened twenty years, but we have 120 missionaries, one to every seventy thousand inhabitants.

The following resolution of appreciation and sympathy concerning Mrs. Adams was read by Mrs. Swindell and adopted :

Whereas, The health of our efficient Treasurer Mrs. B. B. Adams will not permit her longer to retain the office; therefore

Resolved 1st. That it is with feelings of sadness and sincere regret that we yield to her wish not to be re-elected.

Resolved 2nd. That we greatly appreciate the valuable and faithful service she has so cheerfully given our work; even during her days of serious illness exercising a careful oversight of the accounts of her office.

Resolved 3rd, That our love and prayers will follow her, and we will pray especially that her health be restored, and that she may be able to take active part in our work which she so much loves.

MRS. F. D. SWINDELL,
MRS. J. L. HORNE,
MRS. W. H. McCABE,
MISS EMMA PAGE.

The election of officers for the ensuing year was entered upon. Mrs. Hardison and Miss Covington were appointed tellers. The election resulted as follows :

President—Mrs. L. A. Cuninggim.

Vice-President—Mrs. R. A. Willis.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. F. D. Swindell.

Recording Secretary—Miss Blanche Fentress.

Treasurer—Miss Mary Page.

Supt. and Treas. Juvenile work—Mrs. L. M. Hendren.

Mr. H. M. Groves and Mr. Henry Page were elected Auditors.

Mrs. L. A. Cuninggim was elected alternate to the Woman's Board.

Upon motion, the Recording Secretary was requested to cast the ballot for the District Secretaries when nominations were made.

They were elected as follows :

Raleigh District—Mrs. T. M. Person.
 Durham District—Mrs. W. H. McCabe.
 Fayetteville District—Mrs. M. Jessie Simpson.
 Rockingham District—Miss Emma Page.
 Wilmington District—Mrs. J. N. Gibbons.
 New Bern District—Mrs. C. P. Dey.
 Washington District—Mrs. J. L. Horne.
 Warrenton District—Mrs. K. P. Black.
 Elizabeth City District—Mrs. S. S. Hardison.

On motion, it was agreed to hold the annual meetings during the last of April or first of May.

An invitation to hold the next session at Hertford was given by Mrs. N. H. D. Wilson.

Mrs. Black nominated Warrenton. Warrenton was selected.

The Committees on Extension of Work, Publication, Finance and Resolutions, presented their reports, which were adopted. (See appendix.)

Mr. Baker, Superintendent of the Methodist Sunday School, invited the Society to attend the session of the School at 9:30 the following morning.

The minutes were read and approved.

The Benediction was pronounced by Rev. G. T. Simmons.

MRS. L. A. CUNINGGIM, *President.*

MISS BLANCHE FENTRESS, *Recording Secretary.*

Memorial Service.

Entered into "The Life Abundant."

SATURDAY, EVENING SESSION—May 6th, 8 P. M.

Devotional services by Rev. L. S. Massey.

Mrs. L. A. Cuningim presided and conducted the Memorial exercises.

Memoirs were read of our sisters who have entered on "The Life Abundant" since our last annual meeting.

MISS KITTIE SAUNDERS, of Elizabeth City Auxiliary—read by Mrs. B. B. Adams.

MRS. SARAH D. BELL, Charter Member of Beaufort Auxiliary—read by Mrs. F. D. Swindell.

MRS. A. CHEATHAM, of Main Street Auxiliary—read by Mrs. W. H. McCabe.

PROF. J. A. BIVENS, Honorary Member of Main Street Auxiliary—read by Mrs. W. H. McCabe.

MRS. JULIA A. JACOBS and MRS. OSCAR FILLYAW, members of Grace Church Auxiliary, Wilmington—read by Miss Blanche Fentress.

MISS MARY J. HAY, Charter Member of Centenary Church Auxiliary, New Bern—read by Mrs. S. H. Scott.

MRS. GEORGE ENNETT, member of Centenary Church Auxiliary, New Bern—read by Mrs. Scott.

MISS JULIA HUTCHINGS, Corresponding Secretary of Edenton Street Auxiliary, Raleigh—read by Miss Bettie Ruth.

MISS PRISCILLA McKEE, Charter Member of Edenton Street Auxiliary, Raleigh—read by Mrs. B. F. Dixon.

MRS. BETTIE MAHONEY, member of Washington Auxiliary—read by Mrs. J. L. Horn.

MRS. B. S. JERMAN, member of Edenton Street Auxiliary, Raleigh—read by Mrs. R. O. Burton.

MRS. T. H. YUN, of Korea—memoir written by Bishop E. R. Hendrix, read by Miss Inez Angier.

MRS. JOHN THOMPSON, member of Hay Street Auxiliary—read by Mrs. M. Jesse Simpson.

No Memoir of MRS. JOHN R. BROOKS *nee* Miss Pauline Hill, was read, as she was a member of the Western N. C. Conference W. F. M. Society, but many loving and tender tributes were paid to her memory by different ladies. She was for some time a faithful member of our Conference Society. Louisburg is the place of her nativity, and in its cemetery rests her body to await the resurrection morn.

FOURTH DAY--SABBATH.

May 7th, 1905.

The choir rendered "Come unto me and I will give you rest." Mrs. Barrow of Louisburg, organist.

The pastor, Rev. L. S. Massey preached a most able sermon from Acts 1:8—"Ye shall be witnesses unto me." His theme: The Gospel of Christ; its object; the salvation of the lost; to win the world for the Lamb that was slain. The religion that meets the needs of your life, meets the needs of all men; it will bear transportation; it is world wide; it is sweet. If man is ever to attain his true destiny he must know Christ. To know God is the real necessity. This need of man has ever voiced itself. Moses cried out "Show me thy glory;" Philip said "Lord shew us the Father, and it sufficeth us." To know God is to set the boundaries of our lives in Him. In Christ alone we not only find the redemptive scheme, but immortality. It is no wonder Christ said, "Ye shall be witnesses" exclaimed Rev. L. L. Massey, in closing this inimitable sermon.

After hymn 672, "Go ye ministers of God", the benediction was pronounced by Dr. R. A. Hardie.

Sunday afternoon Dr. R. A. Hardie gave the Bright Jewels a most instructive talk on Korea. He explained the simple alphabet used by the lower class, but the upper class prefer the more difficult Chinese characters.

Dr. Hardie told them why the Koreans always dress in white; and of many other customs. The collection of Curios was examined with interest by the children.

SABBATH NIGHT.

"Praise be to God," was the opening anthem by the Choir. Scripture reading and prayer by Dr. R. A. Hardie. The Solo, "Abide with Me," was sweetly rendered by Miss Helen Williams.

Hym 674, "On the Mountain's Top Appearing," was sung by choir and congregation.

Dr. R. A. Hardie read from Acts 26:15, 18, and Romans 2:11.

Text, Acts 26:18, "To open their eyes, and turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto

God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith that is in me."

Dr. Hardie spoke of this picture of the heathen world as Christ saw it and still sees it. Satan has turned the hearts of the people to worship him. The Koreans never forget the presence of evil spirits. The Missionaries worked forty years in China before they had ten converts.

Korea, in twenty years, numbered ten thousand converts. Nearly all their churches have been built with native funds.

After music by the choir the Benediction was pronounced by the pastor, Rev. L. S. Massey.

REPORTS.

The Committee on Finance recommend the following:

1st. That the Conference Expense Fund be continued at twenty-five cents per member.

2nd. That the expenses of the officers be paid from the Conference Expense Fund.

3rd. That the bills for the necessary blanks and the printing of the minutes be paid.

4th. That the expenses incurred by our Corresponding Secretary in attending the meeting of Woman's Board, which is to meet in Muscogee, Indian Territory, on the 24th of June, be paid from our treasury.

5th. That our pledge of \$3,000, including the salaries of our two missionaries, a medical missionary for the Mary Black Memorial Hospital at Soochow, China, and the missionary at the Lucy Cunningham Home and School, Korea, be paid.

6. That our Corresponding Secretary be allowed to draw on our treasurer for sufficient funds, to meet her expenses in the interest of the work throughout the Conference:

7. That we gladly and cheerfully meet the expenses, when necessary, of our District Secretaries as they organize and strengthen the work in their districts.

MRS. B. B. ADAMS, Chmn.,
MISS BROWN,
MRS. CREEL,
MRS. SAVAGE,
MISS RUTH.
MRS. B. N. MANN,
MRS. WINSLOW,
MRS. BEST,
MRS. MORGAN.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

As we review the work of another year, we are made to feel profoundly grateful to our Heavenly Father for His goodness and tender mercies. Some of our co-workers have been brought very near the border land, but have been restored to their beloved families and to us. And in His boundless mercies, so many of us have been permitted to come up to this, another annual meeting, thereby receiving fresh inspiration and courage for another years work in His loved employ.

The kind smile and hearty hand shake, which greeted us on our arrival plainly showed us that we were among a people whose hearts were warm and whose homes abounded with the genuine old time hospitality. This was our first and continues our most lasting impression.

We acknowledge a pardonable pride, in the fact that our missionary candidate by her energy and consecration gives such strong evidence of successful services in the future.

The interest of our meeting was greatly increased by the presence of Dr. R. A. Hardie, Missionary from Korea. His presence and talks were helpful and inspiring. His talk to-night was certainly an incentive to higher things.

To the Pastor for courtesies shown and the choir for sweet music rendered we are profoundly grateful.

Among the very pleasant features, which the kind people of Louisburg arranged for us was an entertainment given at the College by the Bright Jewels. It was an exceedingly delightful affair. Therefore be it resolved

1st. That we look with love and grateful hearts to God who has so tenderly cared for us and blessed our meeting.

2nd. That our sincere thanks and hearty appreciation, be extended to the kind people of Louisburg who have so generously opened their hearts and homes to us.

3. That our thanks are extended to the rail roads for their kindness in allowing reductions of rates.

MISS KEITH COVINGTON,
MRS. R. A. WILLIS.
MRS. G. F. SMITH,
MRS. IDA SYLVANT.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SECRETARIES' BOOKS.

We your Committee on Secretaries' Books, beg leave to submit the following report:

We have examined the books from the nine districts very carefully with the following results:

A majority of the books are models of neatness, and are beautifully kept. We find a few blots which can be readily removed with oxalic acid.

We recommend that the blank pages in the back of the books be ruled for the annual reports so when filled, they can be filed for history, and future reference.

We commend the Secretaries for their well kept books and accurate statements.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. B. N. MANN,
MISS LAURA POWERS.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EXTENSION OF WORK.

We, your Committee on Extension of Work, beg leave to make the following report:

Resolved 1, That we despise not the day of small things, but begin at once to deposit in some safe place, missionary offerings in the form of small contributions, to be devoted to the extension of God's work.

Resolved 2, That we recommend that each society, both adult and juvenile, have either a birth-day box for the safe keeping of birth-day offerings or a birth-day party once a year at which time there shall be an offering made from each member, and that this fund be retained in the auxiliary to meet local expenses.

Resolved 3, That a social meeting, which may be called an "Ingathering" be held in each Society once in three months, at which time each member shall, if possible, bring in a new member and that a large mite-box occupy a conspicuous place in the room, in which every member will be expected to drop, at least, a small offering. This fund to be used for local expenses or any other purpose that the society may designate, bringing it in the foreign mission work, and that the social feature may be carried out we recommend that refreshments, presumably light, be served at the Ingathering meeting.

Resolved 5. That in every auxiliary there be a committee of one appointed monthly for the purpose of reviewing the Woman's Missionary Advocate to make a synopsis therefrom of important matters, reading the same at the next monthly meeting.

Resolved 6. That we recommend that one or more members from each adult society be appointed to visit and co-operate with the L. M's of Bright Jewel Bands as far as thought advisable.

Resolved 7. That recognizing the need of more workers in the missionary cause, we recommend that every auxiliary appoint two or more members to visit the unconcerned in our churches, talk to them about our work, telling them of the good being done by our missionaries in the foreign field, and trying to interest them sufficiently for them to join our ranks.

Resolved 8. That every auxiliary secure as many honorary members as possible, not confounding these with honorary life members, but collecting from each honorary member secured \$1 to be used in the local fund for defraying a delegates expenses to the annual and district meetings, and for other Missionary work.

Resolved 9. That some means be devised by which a larger number of delegates will attend the annual and district meetings that the enthusiasm and spiritual uplift derived therefrom may be communicated to a greater number of the members of auxiliaries.

Resolved 10. That a special meeting of the auxiliaries be called, for the purpose of reading the annual minutes as soon as possible after the publication of the same.

Resolved 11. That we give special heed to the 9th item of the report, and endeavor to devise some plan by which we may secure a better attendance at our annual and district meetings.

Resolved 12. We recommend that Article 7 in this report be specially emphasized.

Resolved 13. Realizing the lack of information among our societies, concerning the reports of the different committees at our annual meetings. We recommend that each auxiliary president include one of these reports in her regular monthly program until

all of them are used in order that the auxiliaries become familiar with the work done at our annual session.

MRS. F. D. SWINDELL,
MRS. K. P. BLACK.
MRS. J. L. HORN,
MRS. R. H. WHITAKER,
MRS. JESSIE SIMPSON.
MRS. J. A. GIBBON,
MRS. G. H. McCABE,
MISS EMMA PAGE,
MRS. MARY JACKSON,
MRS. SCOTT,
MRS. S. S. HARDISON.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATION.

In considering the ways and means for the increase, strength and final triumph of the cause of Missions, we deem the publication of our literature a vital factor in the growth of intelligence, which is a sure stepping stone to a higher plane of missionary life and achievement. Therefore be it

Resolved 1st, That we bear record to the merits of the Woman's Missionary Advocate and the Little Worker—they are indispensable in the work of our adult and juvenile societies, and we pledge our best endeavors in the circulation of those valuable periodicals.

2nd. That we most heartily endorse the excellence, and the daily use of the Missionary Calendars; and we suggest a careful study of the annual minutes of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions, and recommend an increase in the number of copies to be distributed among the auxiliaries.

3rd. We recommend the value, and the continued use of leaflets, and the various books suggested for the reading courses in both adult and juvenile societies, crowning the whole with a systematic study of the "Book of books."

4th. That we endorse the successful work of the Committee on Publication of Minutes, and we recommend that this Committee—Mrs. F. D. Swindell and Miss Blanche Fentress—be continued in this work, which they conduct so wisely and well.

5th. That we highly appreciate Dr. Ivey's kindness in appropriating a column in the Raleigh Christian Advocate for the use of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the N. C. Conference; and we tender our sincere thanks to Mrs. B. F. Dixon, the editor of that column, for her efficient work, and for the interesting letters and information in that column. We heartily approve of Mrs. Dixon's re-appointment.

MRS. MIMS,
MRS. ADAMS,
MRS. PERSON,
MRS. HORNADAY,
MISS ROGERS,
MISS BURRUSS,
Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUVENILE WORK.

Each year as the work grows our responsibility becomes more apparent, and we realize that the success of our Bright Jewel Department depends upon our interest and co-operation.

Therefore, resolved,

1st. That we as Auxiliaries keep the Children's work before us, co-operating in all their plans for advancement and improvement.

2nd. That we use our influence to aid all the children engaged in this work.

3rd. That we recommend Lady Managers to have Missionary entertainments for the children as a means of increasing the interest of the children and parents and adding to their Collections.

4th. That we endorse the "Little Worker" heartily and will try to increase its circulation.

5th. That we request the Societies to make more prominent the report of the Bright Jewels. That they have a place in the minutes similar to the Adult Auxiliaries.

6th. We urge the women to pledge themselves to carry out these resolutions.

MRS. N. H. D. WILSON,
MRS. R. A. WILLIS,
MRS. J. G. FEARING,
MISS MARY PAGE,
MISS ELLA HARRIS,
MISS INEZ ANGIER,
MRS. J. P. WINSLOW,
MISS AUGUSTA HARRELL,
MISS DAISY GREEN,

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE FROM MARCH 1, 1904, TO MARCH 1, 1905.

Statistics:

Number of Adult Auxiliaries.....	100
Number of Adult Members.....	2,095
Number of Adult Auxiliaries organized.....	10
Number of Adult Members added.....	195
Number of Golden Link Societies.....	12
Number of Golden Link Members.....	125
Number of Golden Links Organized.....	6
Number of Golden Link Members added.....	80
Number of Bright Jewel Bands	51
Number of Bright Jewel Members.....	1,840
Number of Bright Jewel Bands organized.....	4
Number of Bright Jewel Members added.....	385
Number of Bright Jewel Life Members.....	18
Number of total members, Adult and Juvenile.....	4,104
Number of Life Members, Adult and Juvenile.....	119
Number of Honorary Life Members.....	11
Number of Honorary Life Patrons.....	7
Number of Subscribers to Woman's Missionary Advocate	520
Number of Subscribers to Little Worker.....	430
Number of Scholarships supported.....	6

NAMES OF SCHOLARSHIPS:

Lula Hester Rhodes in Mary Keener Institute, Mexico. Supported by Littleton Female College.

Maggie Blades in Porte Allegro, Brazil. Supported by the W. F. M. S., of Elizabeth City.

Eugene Pugh Daniels in Isabella Hendrix School, Juiz de Fora, Brazil. Supported by the W. F. M. S., of Wanchese.

Emma Page, in Brazil. Supported by the W. F. M. S., of the Rockingham District.

Mary T. Pescud in Rio, Brazil. Supported by the Young Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of Edenton Street Church, Raleigh.

Francis and Mary Hay, Wonsan, Korea. Supported by the W. F. M. S. of Centenary Church, New Bern.

Amounts of literature distributed:

Number of Twenty-sixth Annual Reports.....	275
Number of Summaries	300
Number of Constitution and By-Laws.....	200
Number of Blanks for new organizations.....	300
Number of Duties of Officers and Members.....	150
Number of Adult Leaflets.....	900
Number of Copies of Hand Book.....	300
Number of Twenty-sixth Annual Minutes of the W. F. M. S. of the N. C. Conference.....	500
Number, of Blanks for Quarterly and Annual reports.....	4,500

Though it goes without saying that statistics are dry and the stereotyped way of reporting them is more or less monotonous; still, as all know, it is the only correct way of getting exact facts and figures, which all are interested in and all must know.

Status—The general condition of the Conference Society is good, not excellent, but better than it was last year, attributable to more general reading of Missionary literature. And the resultant information has awakened deeper interest in the hearts of some of our thinking, enquiring women.

As a Society we have met all of our obligations, and closed our year's report with quite a nice little surplus.

The treasurer will give you the exact figures. 'Tis the best financial report of all the twenty-seven years of our organization, which of course, should be, for, since progress is our motto, each year should be an improvement on its predecessor.

OUR MISSIONARIES.

We should rejoice that the salaries of our own Conference Missionaries are paid by our own offerings, and that this fact makes our Mary Pescud in her faraway home in Peracicaba, Brazil, and our Elizabeth Davis in her equally far off home in Rio, Brazil, if possible, more our Conference daughters than ever.

Salaries for our Missionaries have been the slogan of our financial campaign, while the Mary Black Hospital, proves to be the lucky watchword of the Bright Jewels. The Bright Jewels have wrought well this year. Not only have they overrun their own pledge, after paying their dues of more than seven hundred dollars, but have contributed well to the Conference expense and Missionary candidate fund. We sincerely deplore the unavoidable absence from this meeting of their Superintendent. Her heart is overflowing with joy, and she wanted so much to be here to tell about her dear Jewels.

We feel that the day has come for the Bright Jewels to pledge the support of the Medical Missionary in charge of their own Hospital in Soochow, China. They would have to increase their pledge only two hundred and fifty dollars more than they now pay.

The Superintendent of the Bright Jewels agrees with me in this opinion, and so I do recommend that the Bright Jewels shall assume the support of the Medical Missionary in charge of the Mary Black Memorial in Soochow, China, and suggest that all their pledge go for this purpose.

MISSIONARY CANDIDATE.

All the expenses of our Missionary candidate for this year at the Scarritt Bible and Training School have been paid. Miss Lamb is doing good work there, she is greatly pleased and appreciates all this Conference Society is doing for her.

Let us pray God to call some young woman from our Conference to be a Medical Missionary. What a good work for the Golden Links to assume her support, and who knows but that some Golden Link will be called of God to offer herself for this work in the foreign field.

The Week of Prayer is a holy week. May no Society miss the blessings that comes from its observance. And we recommend that as many Societies as possible, will prefer to use the first instead of the last week in November for this purpose as it will not conflict with Thanksgiving day and better still, the pastors will not be absent, as they must the last week, in attendance upon the Annual Conference. However should there be Societies that feel they must hold their meetings the last week or not at all, by all means observe that time, and do not miss the Week of Prayer. We recommend all of our Missionary publications, especially the Woman's Missionary Advocate. We are under obligations to Mrs. B. F. Dixon, our able editor of the W. F. M. column in the Raleigh Advocate, and recommend her for re-election.

The form of installation for Auxiliary officers proves to be an excellent thing, and we hope all Societies will use it. It should be used by the Bright Jewels also.

BUDS AND BLOSSOMS.

What is nicer than to start the little ones out on life's journey as members of a Foreign Missionary Society by enrolling their names and paying twenty-five cents a year until they are five years old—then they go into the Bright Jewels? All money paid for Buds and Blossoms should go in the Bright Jewel treasury.

I feel like calling the attention of our people to the subject of Bequests. Seems strange that in over a quarter of a century of existence, the W. F. M. S. of the N. C. Conference has never, that I can recall, had but one bequest and but one small donation. Will not our people, who can, remember the blessed work in a tangible way?

I recommend that this Society pledge not less than three thousand dollars this year. A part of which will go to pay the salaries of our two missionaries in the foreign field, a part of it to pay the salary of a Medical Missionary for the Children's hospital—Mary Black Memorial in Soochow, China, and a part to the support of one of the missionaries of the Lucy Cuninggim Home and School in Wonsan, Korea. Besides some other specials may be presented at

the approaching annual meeting of the Woman's Board of Missions to be held in Muskogee, I. T., May 24-28.

Our Missionary candidate will be at the Training School one more year before going to the foreign field. Including traveling, it will require at least two hundred dollars to meet her expenses, and remember please, that this amount cannot be included in the pledge.

Any Conference Society is put at a disadvantage when its annual meeting is held prior to that of the Woman's Board, but since circumstances seemed to point to this date, we had to yield. Nevertheless it follows that this report is, and must remain incomplete until after the meeting of the Woman's Board of Missions. Then will be added to it, all information germane to the work.

We thank God for all the mercies that have come to us as a Society through the year just ended, and invoke greater blessings during the year now opening before us. Blessings that are sure to be ours if we meet the demand of our Lord. O, that every woman would improve her opportunity, and take active part in this Missionary propaganda. Was it not the Divine plan that for this very work we women "came into the kingdom at this time."

Let each ask herself the question, "How much owest thou my Lord?" 'Ere this year shall close, may "The women that publish the good tidings be a great host."

ADDENDUM.

The Woman's Board of Foreign Missions in annual session in Muskogee, I. T., May 24-28, did not open any new stations in the foreign field, but are to consider doing so, after consultation with, and advice from the General Board of Missions.

The Secretary reports progress. She says the work has grown remarkably everywhere. All appropriations were met, and all money borrowed has been paid back. Donations of one thousand dollars each, from a lady and a gentleman came in good time to help relieve the situation—and one man has made it possible for us to put one more missionary in the field, by offering to pay her expenses for one year, \$750. O, that the Lord would call upon some more of our men and women to do this much for Him.

To our sorrow, the General Secretary had to report a decrease in membership last year of 1,848. She made an earnest call for 100,000 members for this year, 27,000 additional will bring our membership up to this. 800 members to each Conference Society will make the 100,000.

Number of Conference Societies.....	34
Number of Districts	269
Number of Adult Auxiliaries	2,483
Number of Golden Link and Juvenile Societies.....	1,262
Number of total members.....	3,745
Number of Adult Membership	45,592
Number of Members of Golden Link	27,974

The Woman's Board of Foreign Missions employ 67 Missionaries, 174 teachers and helpers; maintains 23 boarding schools, 64 day schools, 123 Bible women, 312 Scholarships with several thousand women and children under instruction.

The visiting Missionaries at the Board were Mrs. Campbell of Korea, Miss Stevens of Mexico, Miss Tarrant, of China, and Dr.

Hardie of Korea. All of them impressed themselves by their interesting talks. Missionaries accepted and recommended for appointment were Miss Elizabeth Claiborn to China, Miss Irene King to China, Miss Mattie Ivey, our first Missionary Deaconness, to Korea, Miss Cordma Irwin to Korea, and Mrs. Fannie Brown to Brazil, Miss Jennie Stradley goes to Brazil as a Missionary teacher. Miss Ivey will probably go to the Lucy Cuninggim School in Wonsan, Korea, and the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the North Carolina Conference will assume her support. All the requests of our Conference Society were granted by the Board.

Our requests were: The privilege of supporting one of the missionaries at the Lucy Cuninggim School in Korea. That the Mary Black Hospital in China be re-opened as soon as possible, and that Dr. Annie Fearn be put in charge of the same, and kept there until there is a medical Missionary ready for the place. That the Bright Jewels of the N. C. Conference pay Dr. Fearn's expenses, \$750.

The work of our Conference Society this year is to raise our pledge of \$3,000 to pay the expenses of four missionaries on the foreign fields, namely: Miss Mary Pescud in Brazil, Miss Elizabeth Davis in Brazil, Dr. Annie Fearn in China, and one of the Missionaries of the Lucy Cuninggim School in Korea. Besides the pledge, we must raise two hundred dollars for our Missionary candidate, Miss Lamb, at the Training School, our Conference expense fund, and our regular dues, also scholarships by those societies who have established them.

Any Societies who wish to have new Scholarships, I advise that they take them in the Lucy Cuninggim School in Wonsan, Korea, or in Brazil. Always apply for Scholarship through the Conference Corresponding Secretary. All leaflets dispensed with and bulletins will take their place.

Your Conference Secretary has pledged 800 new members this year and she is depending upon you to help her meet that pledge. How many new members will each of you promise? Will you use your influence to organize a Golden Link Society in your church, should there not be one?

At our annual meeting in Louisburg, an attempt was made to form a circle of thirty, who would pay \$25 each. The whole amount \$750 to be used in supporting one of the four missionaries we have pledged to support. While a number joined the circle, it is not complete yet, and if any of you will pay \$25 please send name to Mrs. B. F. Dixon, Raleigh, N. C., and the money, either all at once, or in installments, to Miss Mary Page, Aberdeen, N. C. Miss Page is our new Conference Treasurer. O, that some of our churches, yes even some of our Societies would support a Missionary alone. What a blessing would be theirs. When the fact confronts us that only one fourth of the world has heard the gospel of Christ we should bend all our energies to aid Foreign Missions.

The Woman's Board of Missions raised nearly one hundred and sixty thousand dollars this year. The total collections in our Conference were over six thousand dollars.

The next annual meeting of the Woman's Board of Missions will be in Opelika, Ala., and the next annual meeting of the W. F. M. S. of the N. C. Conference will be in Warrenton, N. C.

We hope that each Society will meet the assessment of its District Secretary including the Bright Jewels who will gladly provide

for their own Missionary Physician in charge of the Mary Black Hospital, and also meet the other obligations.

Forbid dear Lord that we should falter,
At the threshold of our King;
Even our lives upon thine altar,
Is not too much for us to bring.
O help us this sacrifice to make
With willing hearts for the Saviour's sake.

Respectfully submitted,

SUE D. SWINDELL,

Corresponding Secretary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society
of the North Carolina Conference.

ANNUAL REPORT OF JUVENILE WORK, YEAR ENDING MARCH 1ST, 1905.

The swiftly passing days, weeks and months have brought us again to the time, when the work of the year must be reviewed, its progress noted, its mistakes remedied, and plans adopted for the coming year. It is most gratifying to know, that our "Juvenile Work" has taken quite an advanced step forward, and many indications point to a renewed interest, and a higher appreciation of the importance and far reaching results of the children's work for missions. The following is the statistical report for the year.

Number of Bands added.....	4
Total Number of Bands.....	51
Number of members added.....	385
Total number of members.....	1,840
Number of Life members.....	18
Subscribers to Little Worker.....	430
Dues	\$ 741.28
Conference Expense	7.50
Pledge	457.90
University Candidate.....	16.20
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	\$1,222.88

From this, it will be seen, that there has been a gain of \$218.83 over amount collected last year and an addition of 385 members. As is our custom two banners were offered, one to the Band raising the largest amount and another to the one having the largest addition of Members. *Both these Banners have been won by Rocky Mount, that Band having paid \$85.71 and added 30 members. Centenary Church, New Bern, comes next, having paid \$75.72 and added 20 members. Of this amount \$46.85 was for pledge, the largest amount raised by one Band for that purpose. There are two suggestions I would make to Lady Managers, as a means of improving

*After the report was written 'twas ascertained that Elizabeth City Bright Jewel Band had the largest addition of members, and hence won one of the Banners.

on the work of last year. 1st. To see that Dues reported is in proportion to number of members. In many of the reports I find great discrepancy here. 2nd. To collect as nearly as possible 10 cents per year from each member for Conference Expense. Most of the Bands fail to report anything for this purpose, and others, very small amounts. This should not be, for our Juvenile Societies should take pleasure in bearing our portion of the expense for Annual Meetings. As special work for the coming year, I would suggest that we pledge ourselves to pay the salary of a medical missionary to "Mary Black Memorial" at Soochow, China. For lack of funds they had no missionary last year and the hospital was closed. I feel quite sure that the children can, and will, measure up to this increased amount for their Pledge, and it will be in the line of the work they have been doing there, since the death of "Aunt Mary." I am not informed as to the exact amount necessary, but have no doubt the information can be obtained from our Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Swindell. But while I would urge the children to greater effort, I would plead with the ladies of our Auxiliaries to give them earnest co-operation and willing help. Our chief hope lies in the children, that they may be trained to feel their individual responsibility in this work of Foreign Missions and be more efficient and intelligent workers than we of this generation. And nothing has a greater tendency to awaken enthusiasm, and to incite to zealous effort than to see older ones extending sympathy and aid to their little efforts. Let us earnestly try to impress upon them the pitiful condition of children in heathen lands, as contrasted with their own happy lots and then show them the best way to bring these unfortunate ones into the Light of the "Sun of Righteousness." They should be taught how the Gospel of Christ will improve their unhappy conditions. That though the founding of Churches, schools, and hospitals shall relieve their needs and uplift their lives, yet this is not the final end of missions. As some one has aptly said. "Every such institution, valuable as it is is a means of making known the Christian message and interpreting it, and applying it to suit the varied needs of human life. The final purpose of missions is to send everywhere the message of love, embodied in the Incarnation of our Lord and the message of life embodied in His resurrection. Wherever this Gospel is known and accepted a determined effort is made to end injustice and cruelty, to relieve pain and to banish ignorance. Hope returns to otherwise hopeless people and the whole face of life is changed."

My sisters, our responsibility in this matter is great. May God help us to measure up to it!

Respectfully submitted by

MRS. L. M. HENDREN,
Supt. and Treas. of Juvenile Work.

**ANNUAL REPORT OF DISTRICT SECRETARIES FOR YEAR
MARCH 1, 1905.**

DURHAM DISTRICT.

Adults.

Whole number of Adult Auxiliaries.....	7
Whole number of Adult Members	204
Number of Auxiliaries organized during the year.....	1
Number of Members added during the year.....	30
Number of Life Members	17
Number of Subscribers to W. M. Advocate.....	50
Dues	\$ 216 10
Conference Expense Fund	21 70
Thank Offerings	76 85
Missionary Fund	13 00
Pledge	164 01
Total	\$ 491 66

Juvenile.

Whole number of Bright Jewel Bands.....	6
Whole number of members.....	275
Number of Bands organized during the year.....	1
Number of Members added during the year.....	40
Number of Life Members.....	5
Subscribers to Little Worker.....	64
Dues	\$ 99 11
Conference Expense Fund	2 00
Thank Offerings	23 25
Missionary Fund	6 00
Pledge—Mary Black Memorial.....	12 70
Miscellaneous	1 98
Total	\$145 04
Grand total	\$ 636 76

MRS. W. H. McCABE,
District Secretary.

Durham, N. C.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.

Adults.

Number of Auxiliaries	11
Number of Members.....	191
Number of Life Members	8
Number of Subscribers to W. M. Advocate.....	46
Dues	\$ 192 25
Conference Expense fund	11 95
Fledge	107 14
Thank Offering	14 34
Missionary Candidate fund	30 01
Total	\$ 355 69

Juvenile.

Number of Bands.....	5
Number of Members	115
Subscribers to Little Worker.....	37
Dues	\$ 54 67
Conference Expense Fund.....	1 15
Pledge	26 60
Mite Box	2 20
Total	\$ 84 62
Grand total.....	\$ 440 31

RALEIGH DISTRICT.

Adults.

Whole number of Adult Auxiliaries.....	12
Whole number of Adult Members.....	268
Number of Honorary Life Members.....	1
Number of Life Members.....	26
Number of Life Patrons.....	1
Number and American Names of Scholarships.....	1
Where located	Brazil
By whom supported.....	Edenton Street Y. W. S.
Amount of money remitted for their support.....	40 00
And when sent.....	June
Number of subscribers to W. M. Advocate.....	77
Money forwarded to Conference Treasurer.....	\$ 780 38
Dues	310 32
Conference Expense Fund.....	44 85
Thank Offerings	66 49
Missionary Fund	17 32
Lucy A. Cuninggim	2 00
Pledge	309 83
Special Scholarship Donations.....	56 90
Mite Box	61
Total	\$ 741 83

Young People.

Whole number Y. P. Societies.....	1
Whole number Y. P. Members.....	10
Number and American names of scholarships.....	1
Where located	Brazil
By whom supported	Franklinton Golden Links
Amount of money remitted for their support.....	21 15
Money forwarded to Conference Treasurer.....	\$ 67 99
Dues	13 15
Conference Expense Fund	4 00
Thank Offerings	19 29
Pledge	10 00
Special Scholarship Donations	21 15
Total	\$ 67 99

Juvenile.

Whole number of Bright Jewel Bands.....	7
Whole number of Members.....	239
Number of Honorary Life Members.....	1
Number of Life Members.....	8
Subscribers to Little Worker.....	96

Money forwarded to "Aunt Lizzie".....	\$ 171 54
Dues	91 12
Pledge—Mary Black Memorial	80 42

Total	\$ 171 54
Grand Total	\$ 951 92

MRS. R. H. WHITAKER,
District Secretary.

Raleigh, N. C.

WARRENTON DISTRICT.**Adults.**

Whole number of Adult Auxiliaries	10
Whole number of Adult Members.....	250
Number of Auxiliaries organized during the year.....	1
Number of members added during the Year.....	25
Number of Life Members.....	14

Dues	\$ 240 22
Conference Expense Fund	17 75
Thank Offerings	24 56
Missionary Fund	8 20
Pledge	163 13
Special Donations	20 00

Total	\$ 473 86
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Young People.

Whole number Y. P. Societies.....	2
Whole number Y. P. Members.....	138
Number and American names of Scholarship.....	
.....Lula Hester Rhodes	
Where located	Mary Keener in Brazil
By whom supported.....	Littleton Female College

Dues	\$ 30 75
Pledge	15 75
Special Donations	20 00

Total	\$ 66 50
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Juvenile.

Whole number of Bright Jewel Bands.....	10
Whole number of Members.....	365
Number of Life Members.....	2
Subscribers to Little Worker.....	81

Dues	\$ 118 46
Thank Offerings	60
Pledge—Mary Black Memorial.....	101 89
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Total	\$ 220 95
Total amount of Pledges.....	\$ 320 77
Grand total	\$ 761 31
K. P. BLACK,	
District Secretary.	

NEW BERN DISTRICT.

Adults.

Whole number of Adult Auxiliaries.....	12
Whole number of Adult Members.....	320
Number of Auxiliaries organized during the Year.....	2
Number of Members added during the year.....	18
Number of Honorary Life Members.....	2
Number of Life Members.....	26
Number of Life Patrons.....	1
Number and American Name of Scholarship.....	1
Where located	Wonsan, Korea,
By whom supported.....	New Bern Auxiliary
Amount of money remitted for their support.....	40 00
And when sent.....	Quarter ending March 1, 1905
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Money forwarded to Conference Treasurer.....	\$ 560 53
Dues	287 70
Conference Expense Fund	38 55
Scholarship Thank Offerings.....	40 00
Missionary Fund	42 75
Pledge	137 03
Buds and Blossoms Special Donations.....	14 50
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Total	\$ 560 53

Young People.

Whole number Y. P. Societies.....	1
Whole number of Y. P. Members.....	17
Number of Societies organized during the Year.....	1
Number of Members added during the year.....	17
Number and American Names of Day Schools.....	
.....	Little Workers
Number of Subscribers to W. M. Advocate.....	1
Money forwarded to Conference Treasurer.....	\$ 6 30
Dues	6 30
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Total	\$ 6 30

Juvenile.

Whole Number of Bright Jewel Bands.....	5
Whole number of Members.....	175
Number of Bands organized during the Year.....	1
Number of Members added during the year.....	30
Number of Life Members.....	9
Subscribers to Little Worker.....	55
Number of Subscribers to W. M. Advocate.....	1

Money forwarded to "Aunt Lizzie".....	\$ 110 98
Dues	40 73
Conference Expense Fund	5 08
Missionary Fund	2 06
Pledge—Mary Black Memorial.....	42 92
Special Donations	20 19

Total	\$ 110 98
Grand Total	\$ 677 81

MRS. C. P. DEY,
District Secretary.

Beaufort, N. C.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.

Adults.

Whole number of Adult Auxiliaries.....	9
Whole number of Adult Members.....	204
Number of Auxiliaries organized during the Year.....	1
Number of Members added during the Year.....	49
Number of Life Members.....	10
Subscribers to W. M. A.....	75

Money forwarded to Conference Treasurer.....	\$ 469 88
Dues	206 02
Conference Expense Fund.....	33 45
Thank Offerings	3 00
Missionary Fund	6 75
Pledge	218 10
Miscellaneous —Truehart Lecture.....	1 56

Total	\$ 469 88
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Juvenile.

Whole number of Bright Jewel Bands.....	5
Whole number of Members.....	205
Subscribers to Little Worker.....	46

Money forwarded to "Aunt Lizzie".....	\$ 181 89
Dues	92 97
Pledge—Mary Black Memorial.....	88 92

Total	\$ 181 89
Grand total	\$ 651 77

MRS. J. L. HORNE,
District Secretary.

ROCKINGHAM DISTRICT.

Adults.

Whole number of Adult Auxiliaries.....	16
Whole number of Adult Members.....	290
Number of Auxiliaries organized during the Year.....	1
Number of Life Members.....	5
Number of Subscribers to W. M. Advocate.....	65

Dues	\$ 362 63
Conference Expense Fund	31 66

Thank Offerings	192 32
Missionary Fund	23 04
Pledge	137 90
Special Donations E. P. S.....	49 00
Total	\$ 796 55

Young People.

Whole number Y. P. Societies.....	1
Whole number Y. P. Members.....	20
Dues	14 23
Thank Offerings	21 80
Total	\$ 36 03

Juvenile.

Whole number of Bright Jewel Bands.....	5
Whole number of Members.....	135
Dues	\$ 47 93
Missionary Fund	32 18
Total	80 11
Grand Total	\$ 912 69

EMMA C. PAGE,
District Secretary.

G. F. College Greensboro, N. C.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.**Adults.**

Whole number of Adult Auxiliaries.....	5
Whole number of Adult Members.....	146
Number of Members added during the Year.....	8
Number of Honorary Life Members.....	1
Number of Life Members.....	2
Number of Life Patrons.....	1
Number of Subscribers to W. M. Advocate.....	36
Money forwarded to Conference Treasurer.....	\$ 284 26
Dues	128 11
Conference Expense Fund.....	18 80
Thank Offerings	10 56
Missionary Fund	43 75
Pledge	83 04
Total	\$ 284 26

Young People.

Whole number Y. P. Societies.....	1
Whole number Y. P. Members.....	26
Number of Societies organized during the Year.....	1
Number of Members added during the Year.....	26
Number of Honorary Members.....	9
Number of Subscribers to W. M. Advocate.....	3
Money forwarded to Conference Treasurer.....	\$ 14 00
Dues	5 00
Pledge	9 00
Total	\$ 14 00

Juvenile.

Whole number of Bright Jewel Bands.....	3
Whole number of Members.....	97
Number of Bands organized during the year.....	1
Number of Members added during the year.....	35
Subscribers to Little Worker.....	22
Money forwarded to "Aunt Lizzie".....\$	58 07
Dues	20 60
Thank Offerings	7 12
Missionary Fund	12 75
Pledge—Mary Black Memorial.....	17 60
Total	\$ 58 07
Grand total	\$ 356 33

MRS. J. N. GIBBONS,
District Secretary.

An increase of \$73.02 more than reported from the district last year.

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT.**Adults.**

Whole number of Adult Auxiliaries.....	10
Whole number of Adult Members.....	257
Number of Members added during the year.....	17
Number of Life Members.....	16
Number of Scholarships.....	2
Where located	Brazil
By whom supported.....	Elizabeth City and Bethany Auxiliaries
Amount of money remitted for their support..... \$	80 00
And when sent.....	December and March each year
Number of Subscribers to W. M. Advocate.....	73
Dues	\$ 292 50
Conference Expense Fund	52 15
Thank Offerings	21 60
Missionary Candidate Fund	21 16
Pledge	191 45
Scholarship	80 00
Miscellaneous Mite Boxes.....	24 75
Total	\$ 683 61

Juvenile.

Whole number of Bright Jewel Bands.....	4
Whole number of Members.....	145
Number of Members added during the year.....	57
Number of Life Members	1
Subscribers to Little Worker.....	60
Dues	\$ 56 97
Conference Expense Fund	1 00
Thank Offerings	3 35
Pledge—Mary Black Memorial.....	45 11
Total	\$ 106 43
Grand Total	\$ 790 04

MRS. S. S. HARDISON,
District Secretary.

Elizabeth City, N. C.

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DISTRICTS.	Dues.	Conference Expense Fund.	Missionary Candidate Fund.	Pledge.	Thank Offering.	Directed Donations.	Totals.
DURHAM.							
Mt. Tirzah.....	\$ 12 55	\$	\$	\$	\$ 5 65	\$	\$ 18 20
Chapel Hill	19 50	3 95	.....	12 00	.....	.....	35 45
Leasburg.....	17 40	.....	.....	11 15	2 00	.....	30 55
Burlington.....	26 18	.....	.....	3 00	17 03*	2 00	48 21
Roxboro.....	30 55	3 50	.....	.....	10 00†	20 00	64 05
Trinity	42 10	7 25	.....	67 51	7 50	.....	124 36
Main Street.....	64 00	5 00	10 00	90 00	.....	.....	169 00
Concord	1 20	.....	.....	.....	80	.....	2 00
	213 48	19 70	10 00	183 66	42 98	22 00	491 82

* Honorary Member.

† Life Member.

ELIZABETH CITY.							
Parker's.....	41 95	5 59	.....	15 95	9 75	.....	73 24
Manteo	17 50	4 00	1 20	25 00	.....	.....	47 70
Philadelphia.....	24 20	2 75	6 50	20 00	3 82	.....	57 27
Anderson	15 15	2 10	.....	16 35	.....	.....	33 60
Gatesville.....	25 05	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 55
Kittrells.....	24 25	2 20	4 14	11 00	9 75	.....	51 34
Zion.....	15 80	1 50	.....	12 00	.....	.....	29 30
Elizabeth City....	60 00	12 75	.....	51 00	.....*	40 00	163 75
Bethany	54 05	12 25	.....	13 00	12 50*	60 00	151 80
Hertford.....	20 45	5 50	3 00	26 00	.....	.....	54 95
	298 40	49 14	14 84	190 30	35 82	100 00	688 50

* School.

ROCKINGHAM.							
Troy	26 80	3 80	.....	11 55	12 40*	5 00	45 75
Maxton.....	32 80	3 80	.....	13 05	5 62*	3 00	58 27
Biscoe.....	19 80	5 00	.....	9 00	99 20*	10 00	143 00
Rockingham.....	53 50	12 01	.....	13 00	11 44	.....	89 95
Red Springs.....	11 65	.....	.....	12 40	5 15	.....	29 20
Aberdeen.....	19 40	3 00	5 00	17 78	44 82*	15 00	105 00
Biscoe, G. L.....	14 23	.....	.....	6 18	15 62	.....	36 03
Laurinburg.....	60 05	3 50	.....	37 79	.....	.....	101 34
Gibson	22 00	.....	.....	8 80	5 25*	5 00	41 05
Mt. Gilead.....	31 71	.....	.....	.....	07*	5 00	36 78
Roberdel.....	17 65	.....	.....	50	4 55	.....	22 70
Wadeville.....	10 65	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	11 15
Star.....	10 60	.....	.....	.....	4 38*	5 00	19 98
St. Johns	13 80	3 00	5 49	3 50	3 62	.....	29 41
Lumberton.....	17 42	85	12 55	85	.....	.....	31 07
Cordova.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00
Centenary	9 80	.....	.....	13 50	2 00*	1 00	26 30
	376 86	31 66	22 44	137 90	214 12	49 00	831 98

* School.

ANNUAL REPORT—CONTINUED.

DISTRICTS.	Dues.	Conference Expense Fund.	Missionary Candidate Fund.	Pledge.	Thank Offering.	Directed Donations.	Totals.
WARRENTON.							
Union	\$ 11 57	\$	\$	\$ 10 00	\$ 1 00	\$	\$ 22 57
Littleton Fem. Col.	18 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	* 20 00	38 50
Warrenton.....	25 30	3 00	.....	7 00	11 55	.....	46 85
Jackson	19 05	4 20	5 10	19 00	19 00	.....	47 35
Colerain.....	10 25	2 25	.....	10 00	.....	.....	22 50
Weldon.....	41 00	.....	.....	10 00	.....	* 20 00	71 00
Henderson.....	43 40	80	.....	30 50	.....	.....	74 70
Littleton.....	29 55	3 25	3 00	35 13	61	.....	71 54
Kate Black	12 25	.....	.....	15 75	1 00	.....	29 00
Murfreesboro	25 40	2 75	.....	12 00	5 10	.....	45 25
Tabernacle.....	19 70	.....	.....	.....	5 30	.....	25 00
Seaboard.....	15 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	16 00
Miss Davis.....	.....	.....	.....	30 00	.....	.....	30 00
	270 97	17 25	8 10	179 38	24 56	40 00	540 26

* Life Member.

FAYETTEVILLE.							
Sanford.....	26 72	.....	.....	2 13	.....	.....	28 85
Siler City.....	27 10	.....	.....	25 48	.....	.....	52 58
Dunn.....	32 10	.....	.....	16 05	.....	.....	48 15
Hay Street.	37 00	6 50	22 25	36 24	13 04	.....	115 03
Cokesbury.....	13 58	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 58
Asbury	7 75	.....	.....	.....	05	.....	7 80
Carthage	24 95	3 25	7 76	6 75	.....	2 05	44 76
Jonesboro.	12 20	.....	.....	12 25	.....	.....	24 45
Bynum.....	9 35	20	.....	7 74	.....	.....	17 29
Newton Grove ...	2 70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 70
Mt. Tabor.....	8 25	.....	.....	.....	1 30	.....	9 55
	201 70	11 95	30 01	106 64	14 39	2 05	366 74

NEW BERN.							
St. Paul	52 20	9 50	9 35	34 80	.....	.....	105 85
Mt. Olive.....	18 65	.....	15 00	.....	.....	.....	33 65
Beaufort.....	18 00	2 50	4 00	22 43	2 50	.....	49 43
Centenary	109 00	29 25	25 00	61 75	* 61 75	* 54 50	279 50
Mt. Vernon.....	14 70	.....	3 00	1 50	.....	.....	19 20
Snow Hill.....	21 10	20	.....	3 95	.....	.....	25 25
St. Paul, G. L.	6 30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 30
Trenton	2 40	95	.....	2 00	.....	.....	5 35
Kinston.....	26 00	2 00	75	3 75	.....	2 80	35 30
Oriental.....	17 06	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17 06
Faison.....	13 90	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	16 90
Hookerton.....	5 20	.....	.....	.....	6 10	.....	11 30
Morehead City....	11 80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11 80
	316 31	44 40	60 10	68 43	70 35	57 30	616 89

* School and B. and B.

ANNUAL REPORT—CONTINUED.

DISTRICTS.	Dues.	Conference Expense Fund.	Missionary Candidate Fund.	Pledge.	Thank Offering.	Directed Donations.	Totals.
WILMINGTON.							
Fifth Street.....	\$ 23 90	\$ 4 50	\$ 3 50	\$ 11 25	\$.....	\$.....	\$ 43 15
Bethel.....	8 05	.....	.....	2 25	.....	.....	10 30
Fair Bluff.....	5 45	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	10 45
Zion.....	15 75	.....	.....	.....	2 35	.....	18 10
Grace.....	73 25	14 05	.....	64 44	10 56	* 40 00	202 30
Bolivia.....	3 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 50
Wallace, G. L.....	5 00	.....	.....	9 00	.....	.....	14 00
	134 90	18 55	3 50	91 94	12 91	40 00	301 80

* School.

RALEIGH.							
Mrs. Cuninggim ..	.....	.....	.....	15 00	.....	.....	15 00
Banks.....	24 57	.....	5 00	12 00	.....	.....	41 57
Elizabeth.....	19 20	.....	1 00	16 85	2 00	* 3 48	42 53
Four Oaks ..	12 60	1 50	80	2 87	60	† 20 00	38 37
Oxford.....	30 25	5 75	2 45	41 74	.....	* 61	80 80
Louisburg.....	29 30	4 30	.....	27 80	2 85	.....	64 25
Franklinton.	26 00	4 00	.....	31 75	20 00	.....	81 75
Salem.....	20 85	95	.....	10 45	.....	.....	32 25
Edenton Street....	51 25	11 00	.....	39 75	15 25	.....	117 25
Franklinton, G. L.	13 55	4 00	.....	10 79	11 00	‡ 28 65	67 99
Edenton St. Y. W.	21 30	4 75	06	7 01	.....	‡ 35 75	68 87
Cary ..	20 55	2 85	.....	15 30	25	.....	38 95
Central.	23 00	3 00	.....	4 40	.....	.....	30 40
Central Y. W.....	17 07	1 90	1 00	14 00	.....	.....	33 97
	309 49	44 00	10 31	249 71	51 95	88 49	753 95

* Mite Box.

† Life Member.

‡ School.

WASHINGTON.							
Fairfield.....	24 50	2 45	.....	17 45	.....	.....	44 40
Ocracoke.....	18 65	1 25	.....	11 55	4 10	.....	35 55
Greenville.....	27 35	3 75	.....	20 00	4 56	* 20 00	75 66
Beamans.....	10 50	2 50	.....	12 70	.....	.....	25 70
Washington.....	41 45	8 00	6 00	19 75	5 25	.....	80 45
Rocky Mount.....	38 15	6 25	.....	40 00	.....	.....	84 40
Tarboro.....	11 90	2 75	1 95	13 15	.....	.....	29 75
Bethel.....	6 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 50
Wilson.....	28 70	6 25	.....	40 25	.....	.....	75 20
	207 70	33 20	7 95	174 85	13 91	20 00	457 61

* Life Member.

BRIGHT JEWELS.							
Mrs. Hendren.....	741 28	7 50	16 20	457 90	.....	.....	1222 88

SUMMARY FOR YEAR 1904-1905.

DISTRICTS.	Dues.	Conference Expense Fund.	Missionary Candidate Fund.	Pledge.	Thank Offering.	Directed Donations.	Totals.
Durham.....	\$ 213 48	\$ 19 70	\$ 10 00	\$ 183 66	\$ 42 98	\$ 22 00	\$ 491 82
Elizabeth City	298 40	49 14	14 84	190 30	35 82	100 00	688 50
Fayetteville.....	201 70	11 95	30 01	106 64	14 39	2 05	366 74
New Bern... ..	316 31	44 40	60 10	68 43	70 35	57 30	616 89
Raleigh.....	309 49	44 00	10 31	249 71	51 95	88 49	753 95
Rockingham.....	376 86	31 66	22 24	137 90	214 12	49 00	831 98
Warrenton... ..	270 97	17 25	8 10	179 38	24 56	40 00	540 26
Washington.....	207 70	33 20	7 95	174 85	13 91	20 00	457 61
Wilmington.....	134 90	18 55	3 50	91 94	12 91	40 00	301 80
Annual collection..	2329 81	269 85	167 25	1382 81	481 99	418 84	5049 55
Silver Jubilee.....	.....	15 33	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 33
Bright Jewels....	741 28	7 50	40 34	.....	.....	.....	40 34
	.....	.....	16 20	457 90	.....	.....	1222 88
	3071 09	292 68	223 79	1840 71	481 99	418 84	6328 20

STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH, 1905.

DUES :

Auxiliaries.....	\$ 2329 81	
Bright Jewels.....	741 28	
	<u> </u>	\$ 3071 09

PLEDGE :

Auxiliaries..	\$ 1382 81	
Thank Offerings.....	481 99	
Life Members.....	100 00	
Buds and Blossoms..	14 50	
Mite Boxes.....	32 44	
Honorary Members.....	6 00	
Bright Jewels	457 90	
	<u> </u>	\$ 2474 64

SCHOLARSHIPS.....	265 90	
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Remitted Mrs. McTyeire	\$ 5811 63	
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MISSIONARY CANDIDATE FUND :

Balance forward.....	\$ 23 21	
Collections for Year	223 79	
	<u> </u>	247 00
Remitted Miss Lamb	225 00	
Balance on hand.....	\$ 22 00	

CONFERENCE EXPENSE FUND :

Balance forward.....	\$ 120 84	
Collections for Year.....	292 68	
	<u> </u>	\$ 413 52
Expenses for Year	274 69	
Balance on hand.....	\$ 138 83	
	<u> </u>	\$ 160 83
Balance in Bank.....	\$ 160 83	
Balance from Previous Year.....	\$ 144 05	
Total Collections for Year.....	6328 10	
	<u> </u>	\$ 6472 15
Total Disbursements.....	6311 32	
	<u> </u>	\$ 160 83
Balance in Bank	\$ 160 83	

MRS. B. B. ADAMS, Treasurer.

FINANCIAL REPORT JUVENILE WORK, YEAR ENDING MARCH 1st, 1905.

DISTRICTS.	Dues.	Conference Expense Fund.	Missionary Candidate Fund.	Pledge.	Total
RALEIGH.					
Edenton Street.....	\$ 7 26	.....	.....	\$ 5 00	\$ 12 26
Franklinton.....	12 97	.....	.....	30 07	43 04
Louisburg	9 58	.....	.....	10 00	19 58
Salem Chapel.....	8 12	.....	.....	4 10	12 22
Cary.....	18 20	.....	.....	10 00	28 20
Oxford	19 90	.....	.....	10 00	29 90
Four Oaks.....	12 90	.....	.....	11 25	24 15
	88 93	.....	.....	80 42	169 35
WARRENTON.					
Warrenton	5 53	.....	.....	11 00	16 53
Garysburg	12 16	.....	.....	.....	12 16
Sharon.....	15 60	10	.....	8 75	24 45
Henderson	15 90	.....	.....	10 00	25 90
Littleton.....	13 54	.....	.....	24 20	37 74
Weldon	35 00	.....	.....	20 00	55 00
Murfreesboro..	15 13	.....	.....	10 18	25 31
Colerain	1 55	.....	.....	.....	1 55
Jackson.....	13 98	50	.....	17 76	32 24
	118 46	60	.....	83 43	230 88
WILMINGTON					
Grace Church	12 40	.....	5 00	29 87	47 27
Fifth Street Church.....	3 15	.....	.....	2 60	5 75
Ingold	5 00	.....	.....	.....	5 00
Fair Bluff.....	1 55	.....	.....	.....	1 55
	22 10	.....	5 00	32 47	59 57
FAYETTEVILLE.					
Hay Street	16 05	.....	.....	19 60	35 65
Capelseie	10 67	.....	.....	.....	10 67
Jonesboro.....	1 50	50	.....	3 00	18 00
Carthage.....	10 55	.....	.....	2 20	12 75
Osgood.....	7 10	.....	.....	5 45	12 55
	58 87	50	.....	30 25	89 62
ROCKINGHAM.					
Rockingham	3 80	.....	.....	.....	3 80
Lumberton.....	11 25	.....	.....	.....	11 25
Gibson.....	13 55	.....	.....	4 25	17 80
Maxton.....	17 19	.....	.....	15 00	32 19
Laurinburg	13 89	.....	.....	4 90	18 78
Aberdeen	7 96	.....	.....	1 55	9 51
Roberdell.....	3 96	.....	.....	.....	3 96
Treaty	6 24	.....	.....	10 00	16 24
	77 84	.....	.....	35 70	113 54

FINANCIAL REPORT, JUVENILE WORK—CONTINUED.

DISTRICTS	Dues.	Conference Expense Fund.	Missionary Candidate Fund.	Pledge.	Total.
WASHINGTON.					
Washington.	\$ 11 85	\$.....	\$.....	\$ 5 60	\$ 17 45
Nashville	12 47	.....	.....	92	13 39
Wilson	11 40	.....	.....	10 00	21 40
Greenville....	17 55	.....	.....	18 92	36 47
Rocky Mount....	41 55	1 20	8 00	34 86	85 61
	94 82	1 20	8 00	70 30	174 32
ELIZABETH CITY.					
Elizabeth City.....	29 24	.....	.....	12 50	41 74
Winfall	13 65	.....	.....	7 70	21 35
Pantego.....	5 51	1 00	.....	22 11	28 62
Anderson	7 52	.....	.....	7 15	14 67
	55 92	1 00	...	49 46	106 38
DURHAM.					
Trinity Church	29 89	2 00	3 00	15 00	49 89
Main Street.....	34 47	.....	.....	10 00	44 47
Roxboro.....	17 60	.....	.....	3 25	20 85
Leasburg	15 15	.....	.....	2 70	17 85
Chapel Hill.....	6 50	.....	.....	.....	6 50
Graham	1 61	.....	.....	.....	1 61
	105 22	2 00	3 00	30 95	141 17
NEW BERN.					
Centenary.....	28 87	.....	.....	46 85	75 72
Goldsboro.....	22 75	3 00	.....	14 77	40 52
Kinston.....	70	.....	.....	.....	70
Trenton.....	1 10	.....	.....	.....	1 10
Beaufort	4 55	.....	.....	16 18	20 73
	57 97	3 00	.....	77 80	138 77

SUMMARY FOR DISTRICTS.

Raleigh	\$ 169 35	Washington	\$ 174 32
Washington.....	202 49	Elizabeth City	106 38
Wilmington	59 57	Durham.....	141 17
Fayetteville	89 62	New Bern	138 77
Rockingham	113 54		
Total.....			\$ 1195 21

Washington is the Banner District.

Respectfully submitted, MRS. L. M. HENDREN,
Superintendent Juvenile Work.

CONFERENCE SOCIETIES.

A Conference Society should be formed by the election of a President, Vice-President, Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, and a Secretary for each district.

These shall be appointed in the first instance by the Annual Conference, or a Convention called for the purpose of organizing, and elected thereafter at the annual meetings by ballot. After organization, a Conference Society shall consist of the officers named above and a delegate from each Society.

By-Laws.

Section 1. The executive officers shall constitute a committee to transact business in the intervals of the annual meetings. Three shall constitute a quorum. A reserve shall be elected at the annual session of the Conference Society to attend the meetings of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions in the absence of the Corresponding Secretary. In all cases care must be taken to send the reserve properly accredited. The duties of the reserve shall cease upon the adjournment of the Board. If neither the Corresponding Secretary nor the reserve-elect can attend, some one may be appointed by the President and Corresponding Secretary.

Sec. 2. The President (or Vice-President) shall preside at all meetings of the Conference Society and of the Executive Committee. The President shall countersign all drafts on the treasury for necessary Conference expenses.

Sec. 3. The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the Society with the Auxiliaries, and shall herself (or through the District Secretary, as she may direct) supply them with such missionary matter as she may obtain for gratuitous distribution. It shall be her duty to use all practicable means for the organization of Auxiliaries, and forward promptly reports of organization and number of members to the Corresponding Secretary of the Board. She must send promptly quarterly reports to the Secretary on the 20th of June, September, December and March; also an annual report, giving all statistics in full the last quarter preceding the annual meeting of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions. She shall sign all drafts on the treasury.

Sec. 4. The Recording Secretary shall give notice of all meetings of the Conference Society and of the Executive Committee, and keep the minutes of the same on record.

Sec. 5. The Treasurer shall receive and keep on deposit all funds of the Society, keeping an account with each Auxiliary, and submitting the same annually to the Auditor. She must send reports promptly on the 20th of June, September, December, and March to the Treasurer of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions, therewith transmitting all the funds in the treasury. She must keep an account of the expenses of the Conference Society and send the same, with her quarterly report, to the Treasurer. An itemized copy of said reports must be furnished the Conference Corresponding Secretary.

Sec. 6. The District Secretary shall organize Auxiliaries and use every available means to promote the advancement of the Woman's Foreign Mission Society in her district. She (or a representative appointed by her) shall present a report of the work at the District Conference, and shall hold an annual meeting in the district (composed of delegates from Auxiliaries) and an all-day meeting whenever practicable. If the Conference Corresponding Secretary so

direct, the District Secretary shall conduct the correspondence with Auxiliaries, and send a quarterly report to the Conference Corresponding Secretary, and a copy of the same to the President of the Conference Society. It shall be her duty to do all in her power to obtain subscribers to the "Woman's Missionary Advocate," and see to the collection of the contingent fund for Conference expenses.

Sec. 7. Conference and Auxiliary Societies shall not project new work in the mission fields.

Sec. 8. Conference Societies shall provide a contingent fund for defraying necessary expenses, which, if sufficient, may be supplemented from the treasury.

Sec. 9. The regular dues of the Auxiliary Societies, adult and juvenile, also funds contributed to make life members, honorary members, and life patrons, shall not be devoted to specific work.

Sec. 10. The payment of twenty dollars constitutes a person a life member of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the M. E. Church, South; but for convenience the membership will always be held in the Auxiliary into which the money was paid. As all payments are voluntary, life members cannot be compelled to pay dues, and yet by action of the Board in annual session it was decided that the dues in an Auxiliary—ten cents a month and the contingent fee provided for necessary expenses should be paid by all who are members of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

Sec. 11. The funds, outside of dues collected within the Auxiliaries to the Women's Foreign Missionary Society, adult or Juvenile, shall not be directed to any specific work, without obtaining the consent of the Woman's Board, and with the understanding that such work is in accordance with the plans of this Board.

Sec. 12. The sum paid for a life membership (\$20) shall go into the general fund to send out missionaries, to sustain the work already projected, and to extend it. Such money cannot be used for Bible women, scholarships, or any special. Mite-box collections and thank offerings may be used to make life members, provided they are not reported twice—that is, as life membership and thank offering.

Sec. 13. Mite-box collections and thank offerings during the Week of Prayer are in all cases to be used to increase the general fund unless permission be granted by the Board to apply such funds to special work.

Sec. 14. Pledges taken by Conference Corresponding Secretaries at annual sessions of the Woman's Board must be devoted to the general fund, and cannot include Bible women, scholarships, or any other special, unless allowed by the Board.

Sec. 15. That the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions accord to the Conference Societies the privilege and right to manage their internal affairs as may best suit the needs of each Conference Society, always acting with reference to and in harmony with the constitution and by-laws given them.

Sec. 16. Credit shall not be given nor vouchers accepted by the Treasurer of the Woman's Board for funds that have not been paid into the treasury of the same.

Sec. 17. If during the year an office becomes vacant by death, resignation, or removal, the Executive Committee shall fill the vacancy.

Sec. 18. In those Conference Societies where the number of delegates to the annual meeting is so large that their entertainment has become burdensome and expensive, the Society is accorded the privilege of arranging its own basis of representation.

AUXILIARY SOCIETIES.

Any number of women may form an auxiliary to the Conference Society in any charge or circuit, by appointing a President, two or more Vice-Presidents, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary and a Treasurer; these constituting a Local Executive Committee. Auxiliary Societies shall report to the Corresponding Secretary of the Board until Conference Societies may be formed in the Annual Conference where they are located.

How to Organize Auxiliary Societies.

Whenever any number of ladies can be convened for the purpose, let the work be brought before them by the pastor or some lady, urging the claims of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society; then organize by appointing a chairman and secretary pro tem.

Let one or more ladies pass around with slips of paper to secure members. The chairman shall then call for a nominating committee, preliminary to the election of officers. When the report of the nominating committee is adopted the officers are elected.

The constitution and by-laws provided for auxiliaries should then be read and adopted. The time for holding the monthly meetings may be determined, and subscribers obtained for the Woman's Missionary Advocate.

As soon as organized the Corresponding Secretary of the auxiliary shall fill a blank report of organization and forward to the Conference Corresponding Secretary.

Constitution and By-Laws.

(Printed for Information and Use in the organization of Auxiliaries.)

Article 1. This Society shall be called the "Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of ———, auxiliary to the ——— Conference Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South."

Art. 2. The object of this Society shall be to aid Christian women and children in the evangelization of women and children in our mission fields, and to raise the funds for this work.

Art. 3. Any person paying a regular subscription of ten cents a month may become a member of this Society; and any person contributing five dollars per quarter for one year, or twenty dollars at one time, may be a life member.

Art. 4. Meetings of the Society for business and communication of intelligence shall be held once a month. The anniversary of each Society shall, if practicable, be held in March, at which time the reports of the Corresponding Secretaries and Treasurers shall be read and officers for the ensuing year be elected by ballot. The delegate and the reserve to the annual meeting of the Conference Society shall be elected by ballot at the same time.

By-Laws.

1. It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all the meetings of the Society, and to advance its general interests.

2. It shall be the duty of the Vice-President to perform the duties of the President in the absence of that officer, and to aid in devising means for the efficiency of the Society.

3. It shall be the duty of the Corresponding Secretary to conduct

the correspondence of the Society. It shall also be her duty to send quarterly reports not later than the 1st of June, September, December and March to the Conference Corresponding Secretary, or the District Secretary, as the Conference Secretary may direct. She (or the appointed agent) shall bring up the claims of the Woman's Missionary Advocate at every monthly meeting, and try to obtain subscribers.

4. It shall be the duty of the Recording Secretary to keep a record of the proceedings of each meeting, and to provide the pastor with written notices of the meetings.

5. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to collect the dues of members and to hold in trust the funds of the society, keeping a book account, and remitting to the Conference Treasurer not later than the 1st of June, September, December, and March; also at the same time to furnish the auxiliary Corresponding Secretary a statement of amount remitted. Collectors may be appointed to assist the Treasurer.

6. There shall be a committee of three to provide missionary reading for monthly and quarterly meetings.

7. Once each quarter, if practicable, a public meeting shall be held, when reports of the work shall be read, addresses given, and every effort made to increase general missionary intelligence and zeal, as well as earnestness in the special work of the society.

8. Each member of the society shall try to induce others to become members, and do what she can to add to the interest, remembering in prayer her society, its workers, its missionaries, schools, etc., connected with the general work.

9. If an office becomes vacant by death, resignation, or removal, such vacancy must be filled as soon as possible.

10. Order of exercises for monthly meetings: (1) Devotional exercises; (2) reading and approval of minutes; (3) report of Corresponding Secretary; (4) report of Treasurer; (5) report of Literary Committee; (6) miscellaneous business; (7) report of what each member has done for the society during the month; (8) adjournment.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S AND JUVENILE SOCIETIES.

Constitution.

Article 1. This society shall be called _____.

Art. 2. Its object shall be to aid the operations of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South; to increase contributions; to cultivate piety and systematic giving; and to increase missionary intelligence.

Art. 3. Its officers shall be a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary, and a Treasurer.

Art. 4. The Society shall be under the superintendence of a Lady Manager, who shall be elected by the adult auxiliary where the two societies exist; otherwise by the juvenile society. It shall be the duty of the Lady Manager to assist and encourage the society to advance the cause of missions in accordance with the general rules governing the auxiliary societies, and in no case advocating any action independent of the Conference Society.

Art. 5. Every member of the society must be pledged to contribute five cents monthly.

she may be recalled by the Board. Her expenses home will be paid, provided she returns within the time specified.

19. In order to conserve health and strength every missionary is advised to arrange her work as to allow every year at least one month of vacation, in which there shall be a cessation of regular work, and which shall be spent, if possible, away from her station.

20. Should a missionary desire her expenses paid to return home for any other cause than that of ill health, she must in every case give her reasons, and obtain leave of absence from the Woman's Board through the agent in charge of her field.

21. Missionaries must give their entire time and attention to their legitimate work, as ample salary to meet their temporal necessities is paid them by the Board.

22. A missionary who is at home to rest and recover health will not be expected to take up any special work for three months after reaching the home land, and for three months before returning to the mission field, but she will be expected to be present at the first annual meeting of the Board after her arrival home. Her expenses to and from the place of meeting will be paid by the Board.

23. The duties of our missionaries for the first year in the field must be so arranged that the greater part of their time may be given to the study of the language, and their salaries for that year shall be \$500. Medical missionaries are not included in this provision.

24. Every missionary employed by the Woman's Board is required to comply with the above conditions, and to remember always her promise given under the head of "Questions to Missionary Candidates" No. 16.

INSTRUCTIONS TO MISSIONARIES.

1. All missionaries in the employ of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions must work under the advice and approval of this Board, and conform to the general plan of work in the mission to which she is appointed. "Every school or hospital established by the Board shall send reports (such as are made to the Woman's Board) to the District and Annual Conferences within whose bounds such school or hospital may be situated."

2. To secure organization and unity in the mission field every missionary of the Woman's Board is expected to work under the advice and in harmonious relation with the agent appointed over that part of the field to which she has been assigned, through whom she will receive all instructions and all funds, and send quarterly and annual reports to the Corresponding Secretary of the Woman's Board.

3. Every missionary is authorized to conduct the internal affairs of her department as she thinks best suited to the surroundings, to secure good results; provided always that her plans are in harmony with the general plans of the agent in charge of her district, and meet the approval of the Woman's Board.

4. Before sending their annual reports the missionaries of the Woman's Board, and the wives of missionaries engaged in work for this Board, must hold an annual meeting to consider plans and estimates; and these, with the annual reports of the work, must be forwarded promptly by the agent to the Corresponding Secretary. All the representatives must, if possible, attend this meeting to consider and compare methods of work in their several departments.

the correspondence of the Society. It shall also be her duty to send quarterly reports not later than the 1st of June, September, December and March to the Conference Corresponding Secretary, or the District Secretary, as the Conference Secretary may direct. She (or the appointed agent) shall bring up the claims of the Woman's Missionary Advocate at every monthly meeting, and try to obtain subscribers.

4. It shall be the duty of the Recording Secretary to keep a record of the proceedings of each meeting, and to provide the pastor with written notices of the meetings.

5. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to collect the dues of members and to hold in trust the funds of the society, keeping a book account, and remitting to the Conference Treasurer not later than the 1st of June, September, December, and March; also at the same time to furnish the auxiliary Corresponding Secretary a statement of amount remitted. Collectors may be appointed to assist the Treasurer.

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7. Once each quarter, if practicable, a public meeting shall be held, when reports of the work shall be read, addresses given, and every effort made to increase general missionary intelligence and zeal, as well as earnestness in the special work of the society.

8. Each member of the society shall try to induce others to become members, and do what she can to add to the interest, remembering in prayer her society, its workers, its missionaries, schools, etc., connected with the general work.

9. If an office becomes vacant by death, resignation, or removal, such vacancy must be filled by a candidate to enter the mission for two years longer for the purpose, paying a reasonable board.

12. All donations received for the work must be mentioned in the annual reports.

13. The action of the Woman's Board will be communicated to the agents officially by the Corresponding Secretary of the Board.

14. Missionaries must not involve the Society in any expense the estimate of which has not been submitted to and approved by the Board in annual session.

15. Under no circumstances shall new work be opened without the consent of the Woman's Board. Missionaries are not permitted to make public or private appeals for funds to aid in support of their work, without the knowledge and approval of the Board, and such appeals must be made through the Corresponding Secretary of the Board.

16. Medical Missionaries must keep itemized accounts of receipts and disbursements, sending quarterly and annual reports of the same to the Corresponding Secretary of the Board. Such receipts may be used by them for needful expenses in their work. If there is any surplus, it must be placed in the treasury in the field, and accredited as receipts arising from the practice of medical missionaries. The medical outfit is the property of the Board.

17. That any surplus accruing from exchange or other causes be reported quarterly, but held in the treasury in the field until the close of the fiscal year, unless in case of an emergency the Board authorizes its use for any purpose, other than that mentioned in the estimates, or accorded in the appropriations.

18. If a missionary in the employ of the Woman's Board, or an accepted candidate, evinces any unfitness for the work, the agreement may be canceled, and, after giving her three months' notice,

she may be recalled by the Board. Her expenses home will be paid, provided she returns within the time specified.

19. In order to conserve health and strength every missionary is advised to arrange her work as to allow every year at least one month of vacation, in which there shall be a cessation of regular work, and which shall be spent, if possible, away from her station.

20. Should a missionary desire her expenses paid to return home for any other cause than that of ill health, she must in every case give her reasons, and obtain leave of absence from the Woman's Board through the agent in charge of her field.

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23. The duties of our missionaries for the first year in the field must be so arranged that the greater part of their time may be given to the study of the language, and their salaries for that year shall be \$500. Medical missionaries are not included in this provision.

24. Every missionary employed by the Woman's Board is required to comply with the above conditions, and to remember always her promise given under the head of "Questions to Missionary Candidates," No. 16.

MANUAL FOR MISSIONARY CANDIDATES AND FOR MISSIONARIES.

This manual is intended for those who desire to engage in missionary work under the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions, Methodist Episcopal Church, South. It is intended to serve instead of so many written and verbal inquiries, and it is presumed that candidates and missionaries will carefully read its contents.

Qualifications.

The same general qualifications are requisite which are considered conditions of success at home: a sound physical constitution; intellectual ability; practical experience; adaptation to all circumstances and to persons of all classes; a cheerful, hopeful spirit; persistent energy in carrying out the plans of the Board—all controlled by a singleness of purpose and devotion to the cause of Christ. Facility in acquiring a foreign tongue is a valuable qualification, also a practical knowledge of domestic work is almost a necessity.

Requirements of Missionary Candidates.

1. The papers of a missionary candidate must be presented first to the Corresponding Secretary of the Conference Society in which she resides, in time to be forwarded to the Corresponding Secretary

of the Board not less than three months before the annual meeting of the Woman's Board. The Conference Executive Committee must seek a personal acquaintance with the candidate, and know something of her character and history, before her papers are forwarded to the Secretary of the Board.

2. The papers must be references from the pastor and Sunday school superintendent of the Church in which the candidate holds her membership; from the president of the college where she was educated, and where she has taught; also from persons who have had good opportunities for knowing the candidate, her acquirements, capabilities and Christian character. The candidate herself must write her application to the Board, giving a brief history of her life; telling her age, place of residence, where educated, for whom and where she has taught, her religious experience and motives for wishing to enter missionary service. She should state particularly whether she has a sound constitution, and the condition of her health at the time; also any facts about herself which might prevent her acceptance.

3. She must furnish a health certificate from a competent physician, and must answer satisfactorily the questions under that head. It is important that she be examined by a specialist for the ear, eye, throat and lungs; and also secure a certificate from him of the soundness of these organs.

4. In the case of a medical missionary, in addition to the usual testimonials, she must secure certificates from the professors of the medical college in which she has taken the course.

5. Whereas the value of our training school has been demonstrated in testing as well as training candidates for foreign missionary work; therefore,

Resolved, That hereafter all missionary candidates, unless they be exceptionally qualified by practical experience as Christian workers or teachers, be required to take the course of study prescribed in the Scarritt Bible and Training School before acceptance by the Board.

6. The age of the candidate must not be less than twenty-five years nor more than thirty-five. Superior qualifications and circumstances may justify a deviation from this rule.

7. The testimonials of a missionary candidate may be summed up as follows: "Health, education, capabilities for teaching, executive and financial ability, with a general fitness for the work, and a consecrated purpose. These are essential qualities in mission work.

8. No candidate will be accepted unless she will promise to give five years of service to the Woman's Board from the time she reaches the field, unless her health should fail. She must sign an agreement to this effect: "If I voluntarily leave the service of the Board for any other cause than ill health before the expiration of five years, I promise to refund to the Board the amount paid for my outfit and travelling expenses." This does not imply that her obligation for service ceases at the end of five years, but that she is bound for this length of time to refund the amount of outfit and travel if she leave the work before the time expires. She must give six months' notice to the Board of her intention to leave the work, or forfeit her salary for that length of time.

9. Her preferences for a field will be considered, but it is expected that she will acquiesce in the decision and judgment of the Board.

10. Every candidate is required to come before either the committee in Nashville or before the Woman's Board in annual session.

11. If a candidate has been accepted or recommended for acceptance by the committee in Nashville, it is not necessary for her papers to come before the Committee on Missionary Candidates at the annual meeting.

12. After her acceptance the candidate must consider herself under the guidance of the Board in the interim of her departure for her appointed field.

13. The travelling expenses of a candidate are paid from her home to the mission field. A sufficient sum is granted for her personal outfit. Her salary does not begin until she reaches her field of labor. The salary of a missionary is not to be regarded in any sense as compensation for labor performed, nor is it graded to suit the different abilities of the individuals, as in the ordinary business occupations of life. The amount received by the missionary is supposed to be what is necessary for her support while in the field. Compensation for this service will be found in the privilege of teaching the truth as it is in Christ to the Gentiles.

Questions to Candidates.

(Questions to be copied and answers to be written opposite.)

1. Do you feel that your heart is moved by the Holy Spirit to take upon you the work of a foreign missionary?

2. (a) Are you a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South?

(b) How long have you been a member?

3. Do you subscribe to the doctrines of this Church?

4. Is it your desire and intention to make the work of foreign missions your life work?

5. Are you willing to go to any field.

6. Have you had experience in Christian work?

7. Have you a good English education?

8. (a) Have you studied any ancient or modern language?

(b) Do you acquire such with ease?

9. Have you taught school; where, and with what success?

10. Can you teach music, vocal or instrumental?

11. (a) What is the condition of your health?

(b) Are you predisposed to any physical weakness?

12. What is your age?

13. (a) Have you applied to other Mission Boards or Societies?

(b) Were you refused, and for what cause?

14. Have you ever married? If so, is your husband living?

15. Will you promise to keep the following conditions: "If you labor with us in the Lord's vineyard, it is needful that you do that part of the work which we advise, at those times and places which we judge most for his glory?"

16. Do you agree to conform to all the requirements of the Woman's Board while in its service?

Certificate of Health.

(Questions to be copied, and answers to be written opposite by the examining physician.)

1. How long have you known this person?
2. Has your acquaintance been such as to enable you to know particularly of her health and physical tendencies?
3. Are her habits active or sedentary?
4. (a) Has she had the usual diseases of childhood?
(b) Have they affected her constitution in any way?
5. Has she had any serious illness, local diseases, or personal injury? If so, of what nature, how long since, and has she entirely recovered from it?
6. Has she been successfully vaccinated?
7. Have her grand-parents, parents, brothers, or sisters, ever had mental derangement, nervous diseases, pulmonary complaint, heart difficulties, scrofula, or any serious disease tending to shorten life?
8. Is she subject to any physical weakness, or disease peculiar to women?
9. Are her eyes in a healthy condition?
10. Has she any tendency to deafness?
11. Is her health strong and vigorous at this time?

ABSTRACT FROM BISHOP'S ADDRESS TO GENERAL CONFERENCE, MAY, 1898.

It would be unjust to our Church not to mention in this connection the admirable service our godly women are rendering. They are not men, and do not seek to be, but are what God intended them: helpmeets for men—just as meet in the Church as in the family, and just as valuable, not to say indispensable. The Woman's Board of Foreign Missions is now just twenty years old. Already they have fifty missionaries in the foreign field, and one hundred and thirty-two native helpers and teachers, and thirty-seven Bible women, making a total force of two hundred and nineteen; while the General Board has one hundred and four missionaries, eighty-nine native travelling preachers, and one hundred and two native helpers, a total of two hundred and ninety-five workers—a force eighty-four more in numbers than theirs, a comparative result most favorable to the women, both in industry and financial skill, when the time of operation and available resources are considered. Within twenty years they have raised \$1,214,321.75, of which \$307,800.01 has been secured this quadrennium. Mrs. D. H. McGavock, the faithful and efficient General Secretary of this Society from its organization, passed to her reward December 23, 1895.

The Scarritt Bible and Training School.

As a part of their work should be mentioned the Scarritt Bible and Training School for Missionaries and other Christian Workers, which has demonstrated the need and wisdom of its creation, to

train for both the foreign and home fields the young women of our Church. Its graduates and representatives are now in our several mission fields, and the demand for such trained workers is constantly increasing. The trained nurses from its wards, after two years' instruction and clinical experience, take with them the needed skill in ministering at the bedside, while the Christian atmosphere of the institution prepares them to become Christian workers no less than trained nurses. There has been a gratifying increase both in the endowment and attendance of students.

**FROM MINUTES OF GENERAL BOARD OF MISSIONS,
MAY, 1899.**

The report of the Committee on the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society was adopted as follows:

Your Committee on the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society gratefully recognize the admirable work which is being done by the representatives of this Society. We express our sympathy with them in our plans of enlargement. We rejoice in their success, and recommend the reception of the report as presented by Mrs. S. C. Truehart, Secretary, and its engrossment upon our minutes.

J. C. GRANBERY,
JAMES ATKINS,
W. R. LAMBUTH.

PUBLISHING COMMITTEE.

Mrs. S. C. Truehart, Chairman; Mrs. W. G. E. Cunningham, Mrs. I. G. John, Mrs. J. D. Hamilton, Mrs. P. A. Sowell.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY ADVOCATE.

The "Woman's Missionary Advocate" is the official organ of the Society. The editor is elected quadrennially by the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions. This paper is published monthly. The address of the Editor and Agent is: Mrs. F. A. Butler, Publishing House of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Nashville, Tenn. Terms, 50 cents per annum, in advance.

LITTLE WORKER AND JUVENILE LEAFLETS.

The Little Worker is the juvenile paper issued by the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. Editor, Miss Anna Maria Barnes, Summerville, S. C. Terms, 20 cents per annum; in clubs of 10 to one address, 15 cents.

MEMBERSHIP AND SCHOLARSHIP PAYMENT TO THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The payment of ten cents a month for adults, and five cents a month for juveniles, constitutes a member for one year. Twenty dollars constitutes a life member; ten dollars, a juvenile member. One hundred dollars will make an honorary life member. Three hundred dollars will make an honorary life patron.

Forty dollars supports a scholarship in the foreign field, except Brazil, \$60. Sixty dollars supports a Bible woman.

FORM OF BEQUEST.

I hereby give and bequeath to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, incorporated under the laws of the State of Tennessee, \$—, or —, to be paid or conveyed to the Treasurer of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions (the executive body of the Society), whose receipt therefor shall be acquittance to my executors.

FORM OF DEVISE.

I hereby give and devise absolutely and in fee simple to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, incorporated under the laws of the State of Tennessee, the following real estate: (adding such description as shall fully identify the particular real estate intended.)

Note—Prompt notice of bequests and devises should be given to Mrs. S. C. Truehart, Corresponding Secretary, Woman's Board.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, was incorporated in January, 1879, in the city of Nashville, according to the laws of the State of Tennessee. The five incorporators were: Mrs. D. H. McGavock, Mrs. Amelia T. McTyeire, Mrs. Martha Whitworth, Mrs. Ella Lupton, Mrs. S. R. Manier.

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